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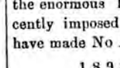

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Tambourines	,, 0 10	to 2 0
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Boxes of Cubes, with pictures	,, 1 12	to 5 4
Bugle (Horn)	,, 0 12	to 1 4
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Trousseaux	,, 2 12	to 6 12
Child in Wicker Cart	,, 0 10	to 3 8
Drawing Slates	,, 0 4	to 1 4
Mechanical Train	,, 1 4	to 18 8
Menageries	,, 0 12	to 1 4
Masks	,, 0 8	to 0 12
Magic Lanterns with Slides	,, 2 8	to 9 0
Balloons	,, 0 2	to 0 8
Magnetic Toys	,,	1 4
Drums	,, 0 4	to 5 0
Tops, Musical	,, 0 5	to 1 0
Paint boxes	,, 0 6	to 1 8
Stables	,, 0 10	to 12 0
Fish Pond Game	,, 1 12	to 3 0
Wooden Horses		1 0
Speaking Cow	,, 3 8	to 95 0
Speaking Lion	,, 5 8	to 95 0
Camel, Moving Head	,,	75 0
Elephants, with Voice	,, 1 0	to 80 0
Bear, with Voice	,, 20 0	to 21 0
Dog, with Voice	,, 2 0	to 40 0
Dolls, Jointed	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Musical	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Cleansible	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Mama-Papa	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Wax	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Washable	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Kid Body	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Double Faced	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Two Spare Faces	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Dressed	,, 0 12	to 24 0
Dolls, Model	,, 0 12	to 24 0
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Draught Boards	from 3 4	to 3 12
,, Folding	,, 3 12	to 7 0
Draughtsmen	,, 0 12	to 1 4
Chessmen	,, 4 8	to 7 8
Cribbage Board	,, 0 14	to 3 4
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NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation, Limited, will be CLOSED from 22nd December, 1894, to 4th January, 1895, both Days inclusive, and the DIVIDEND will be payable on and after the 27th December, 1894.

WALLACE & Co.,
Secretaries, Treasurers, and Managers.
Bombay, 21st December, 1894.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the Property and Credits of GOPAL MEGHJEE, late of Bombay, Hindu, Deceased.

GUNGABAI, Widow of GOPAL MEGHJEE...Petitioner.

ALL PERSONS claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed Deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness, SIR CHARLES SARGENT, KNIGHT, Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, the 18th Day of December, in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-four, and in the Fifty-eighth Year of Our Reign.

J. W. ORR,
Registrar.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

L. N. BANAJI,
The 19th Day of December, 1894.

Messrs. CHITNIS, MOTILAL and MALVI,
Petitioner's Attorneys.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

AN ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING of the Corporation will be HELD in the Municipal Office, on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, 1895, at 3 P.M., for the consideration of the following Business:—

1. Budget Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1895-96. Memorandum from the Commissioner on the subject of the increase in the pay of the chief of the Fire Brigade.
2. Report of the Committee on the question of House Connections. Notice of motion from Thomas Blaney, Esq., C. I. E., proposing the adoption of the Report.
3. Letter to the President from Mr. Under-Secretary Curtis, stating that Government are not prepared to wait an indefinite period before effectual steps are taken to abate the nuisance, and if prompt action is not contemplated by the Municipality, will be compelled, in the interest of the public, to adopt measures under section 345 of the Act.
4. Resolutions of the Standing Committee, as under:—Recommending sanction to the grant of Rs. 750, to provide for the cost of erecting temporary sheds along the Tansa water main for the shelter at night of workmen.
5. Ditto to the grant of Rs. 900, for payment of compassionate allowance to Mithibai, widow of the late Mr. Mancikji Edulji, Building Inspector.
6. Ditto to the continuance of the hiring of carts, with bullocks, for the Health Department, for such period as the available savings on the grant already sanctioned will permit of.
7. Ditto to the purchase, for the Workshops, of a portable ine and boiler with a 4" centrifugal pump, with accessories, 2 feet of 4" rubber suction hose, at a total cost of 1330.
8. Letter to the Secretary, from the Acting Commissioner, esting sanction to the sale, by public auction, of surplus at Borah Musjid Lane.
9. Resolution of the Standing Committee recommending ssing from Government of land situate to the north-east Nakhoda Tank, admeasuring 337 square yards, at an al rental of 4 annas per square yard, on condition that nd is used as a road-metal depot, and that the Municiconstruct road, leading from Cumac Road to the said and that the cost of constructing the road with drainage amps, Rs. 4,132; lighting charges for the year, Rs. 30; proportionate rental payable to Government in respect annual rental of Rs. 134-0-0 be defrayed from Surplus Balance.
Ditto recommending sanction to the writing off of 025-14-0 from the live-stock return of the Fire Brigade rtment, being the book-value of one horse and one
10. Report of the Standing Committee on the question of exchange regarding works which are contracted for in 95.
11. Notice of motion from Dinsha B. Master, Esq., on the subject of the construction of two public baths in the city for the poor.
12. Notice of motion from Thomas Blaney, Esq., on the subject of under-ground rooms in recently-constructed buildings.
14. Letter to the President, from Mr. Under-Secretary Curtis, inviting attention to Government letter No. 3128, dated 29th August last, on the subject of the prevention of the adulteration of ghee, and requesting the favour of an early reply thereto.
15. Letter from the Commissioner to the Secretary, forwarding, with reference to the resolution of the Corporation, a copy of Major Tulloch's report on the stoneware pipes manufactured by Messrs. T. C. Edwards and Company.
16. Memorandum from the Commissioner to the Secretary, reporting, that the only way in which the land occupied by house No. 127-1-9, Mody Street,, 64, 65, Mint Road, can be acquired, is by private negotiations, and it would cost at least Rs. 10,000 or Rs. 12,000. Stating that he cannot recommend such an outlay under the circumstances.
17. Letter from the Commissioner to the Secretary on the subject of the sale of Municipal land, situate at Mint Road (Rampart Row, East), or utilization thereof, partly for the laying out of a garden, and partly for use as a Ward Office.
18. Resolution of the Standing Committee, recommending with reference to the letter from the President, on the subject of the want of drainage in the localities of Carroll, Elphinstone and Bhoiwala Roads, that Messrs. Sassoon J. David, Dinsha E. Commissariat-Wadia, and others, be informed that the Corporation are now considering the question of the improvement of the drainage of the districts referred to.
19. Resolution of the Standing Committee, reporting with reference to letter from Mr. Ahmed Mahomed Surti, regarding the compensation payable to him for land acquired in different localities for street improvement purposes.
20. Quarterly Statement of Assessment of Properties.
21. Memorandum from the Commissioner to the Secretary, forwarding copy of Mr. F. W. Stevens' Award re Valuation of Government Buildings and Lands in the Island of Bombay for purposes of Municipal Assessment.
22. Letter to the President from Mr. Under-Secretary Curtis, forwarding copy of Government Resolution No. 6614, same department, same date, authorising the Accountant-General to pay the sum of Rs. 11-11-4 on account of work done in the Sir J. J. Hospital in connection with the outbreak of cholera thereat.
23. Letter to the Secretary from the Commissioner on the question of widening and straightening the lane, known as Borah Musjid Lane.
24. Notice of motion from Thomas Blaney, Esq., requesting that the Corporation may be informed of the total receipts from rates and taxes in each of the Municipal Wards for the last five years, and also the annual Expenditure on account of General, Hailakor and Water taxes.
25. Resolution of the Standing Committee, reporting with reference to petitions from Mr. Narayan Virjee, complaining of the notice served on him for the removal of the weather frame from his property.
26. Resolution of the Standing Committee forwarding Memorandum from the Commissioner to the Secretary, on the subject of showing the Budget Estimates of rates and taxes apart from the amounts outstanding under the respective heads of such taxes.
27. Resolution of the Standing Committee recommending sanction (1) to the grant of Rs. 331, to meet the cost of paving one of the Store rooms of the Head Police Office, Byculla, and to the plastering of its walls, and (2) to the charging of additional rent to the Commissioner of Police, calculated at 5 per cent. per annum on the total outlay incurred on the said work.
28. The approval of the Corporation to be asked to the transfer of Rs. 1,000 from savings in the grant for III. Water Works to same head provision for overtime and temporary labour, owing to the grant for temporary labour being increased by work on the Tansa line, &c.
29. Report of the Committee of the Corporation on the question of the future lighting of the City.
30. Notice of motion from Thomas Blaney, Esq., C. I. E., on the subject of the order in which sewerage works are to be undertaken in the City.
31. Monthly Return of sick treated in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Arthur Road, for the month of November 1894.
32. Recommending sanction to the grant of Rs. 720, from Surplus Cash Balance, to meet the amount of compassionate allowance payable to the children of Mr. C. D. Rozario, late clerk in the Executive Engineer's Department.
33. Resolution of the Standing Committee on the subject of the taking over by the Municipality of the engines and pump supplied by Messrs. Simpson and Co., for the Love Grove Pumping Station, on certain terms.
34. The approval of the Corporation to be asked to the transfer of Rs. 1,605 from savings in the grant for B. Public Lighting, 1, Gas Lighting, to Assessment and Collection Department, Property and Wheel Tax Establishment; 1, Head Quarters Office, Superior Staff, to meet acting allowance payable to the acting incumbents during the absence of the Assessor and Collector on 70 days' privilege leave.
35. The approval of the Corporation to be asked to the transfer of Rs. 1,000 from savings in the grant for Victoria Gardens, Section IV, Feed of Animals, to Section II, Contingencies and Stores, to meet excess on the latter head due to the purchase of stores and implements that were required.
36. Requesting sanction to the writing off of (1) Rs. 2,165-4-0 from the live stock return of the Health Department, being the book-value of one horse that was sold by public auction, one bullock that was destroyed, and 29 bullocks that died during the quarter ending 30th November last; and (2) of Rs. 786-14-0 from the live stock return of the Market Department, being the book-value of 2 bullocks that died and 4 which were sent to Pinjrapole, during the same quarter.
37. Letter from the Secretary, Joint Schools Committee, to the Municipal Secretary, forwarding copy of letter from the Educational Inspector, C.D., on the subject of the scale of payments to be made to the Aided Schools under the revised Grant-in-aid-Code. Adding that, in the opinion of the Joint Schools Committee, the old scale of grant-in-aid is sufficient, and requesting sanction of the Corporation to the same.
38. Letter from the Commissioner to the Secretary, reporting on the subject of the Officer responsible for the excess on the Water Works Material Grant for 1893-94.
39. Letter from the Secretary, Joint Schools Committee, to the Municipal Secretary, reporting that among the members of the Joint Schools Committee appointed by the Corporation, Mr. Kaikhosru N. Kabraji is the senior member, who retires at the end of the current year in accordance with section 29 (3) of the Municipal Act. The election of a member to fill the vacancy.
40. Letter from the Commissioner to the Secretary, reporting the number of the undischarged sterling liabilities in connection with certain works.
41. Report of the Health Officer for the 1st quarter of 1894.
42. Memorandum and letter by the Secretary from the Commissioner, on the subject of the outbreak of cholera in the J. J. Hospital.
43. Letter from the Municipal Secretary, reporting Budget Transfers sanctioned by the Standing Committee.

By Order of the President,
H. WYNFORD BARROW,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 21st December, 1894.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE S. S. "LARNACA," from MIDDLESBOROUGH, has ARRIVED and is DISCHARGING in the PRINCE'S DOCK.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO are hereby requested to PRESENT their BILLS of LADING at the Offices of Messrs. HILL, SON and GRENAN, 18, Elphinstone Circle, for the Captain's COUNTERSIGNATURE, and to take DELIVERY of their RESPECTIVE GOODS.

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NOTICE.

THE COMMERCIAL and LAND MORTGAGE BANK, LD., will be CLOSED on 24th, 25th and 26th instant, also on 31st idem and 1st and 2nd proximo, these Days being Holidays Under the Negotiable Instruments Act of 1881.

F. D. STRANACK,
Manager.
Bombay, 21st December, 1894.

NOTICE.

THE ARMY AND NAVY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, LIMITED
(Of 105, Victoria St., Westminster, London, S.W.).

THE BOMBAY and KARACHI DEPOTS of this Society will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, the 25th Instant, for Christmas Day.

For the Army & Navy Co-Operative Society, Ld.,
LATHAM & Co.,
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Bombay, 19th December, 1894.

NOTICE.

NO CHAIRS nor BENCHES will be ALLOWED to be placed on the ESPLANADE PARADE GROUND, on the occasion of the forthcoming MATCHES during the Christmas Holidays.

S. REBSCH, A.M.I.C.E.,
Executive Engineer, Presidency.
Bombay 20th December, 1894.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.
TENDER FOR STATIONERY, INCLUDING PAPERS AND INKS, OF INDIAN MANUFACTURE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Engineer, at his Office, Ballard Road, till 12 Noon on FRIDAY, 28th instant, for the Supply of STATIONERY, for Twelve Months, from 1st January, 1895.

Forms of Tenders and Schedules of Articles, and other particulars may be obtained and Samples inspected on application at the Engineer's Storekeeper's Office, Elphinstone Bunder, on payment of Rs. 2 for each Schedule.

Covers to be endorsed "Tender for Stationery."

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E. A. CORKE,
Engineer's Storekeeper.
Bombay, 22nd December, 1894.

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(5'-6" GAUGE.)
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THE Construction of this Line will be COMMENCED AT ONCE. Contrators desirous of taking up work on the Schedule of Rates system, or of Supplying Materials, should without delay make application to the Ex-Engineer, Rutlam, from whom all information, specifications and form of Tender will be, obtainable. A quantity of Brick and Stone are required. Earthwork and Minor Bridges will start at once. Tender for larger Bridges, &c., to be submitted to this Office of the Agent, B. B. and C. I. Railway, Bombay, by 20th January, 1895.

H. D. OLIVER, Major R.E.,
Agent.
Agent's Office, Bombay, 21st December, 1894.

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BENNETT & CO.
Bombay, December 22, 1894.

NOTICES.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Contracts for the SALE of COUNTRY LIQUOR, SINDI (TODDY), OPIUM and DRUGS in the AKOLA District, for the year 1895-96, will be Auctioned at Noon, on MONDAY, the 28th January, 1895, at the Deputy Commissioner's Kutchery, Akola.

The Purchasers will be called upon to Deposit ¼ (one-fourth) of the Amounts of their bids, or to furnish good Securities in the Akola District.

A. SIMPSON,
Acting Deputy Commissioner, Akola District.
Dated Akola, 17th December, 1894.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

SITES No. 45 and 113 on the Map of Matheran will be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Superintendent's Office, on SATURDAY, 29th December, 1894, at 9 A.M.

2. The Sale is subject to Confirmation by the Collector of Kolaba.

3. Certain frontage Plots in the new Bazaar suitable for Shops, and available only on a Monthly Tenancy, will be put up to Auction on the same occasion on Terms laid down by the Collector of Kolaba, which may be ascertained at the Superintendent's Office. No land in the Bazaar is obtainable on Lease.

J. P. BARRY,
Superintendent, Matheran.

LIST OF ESTATES to which Letters of Administration have been granted to the Administrator-General, Bombay, and of Estates which have come under his charge:—

LUIS FRANCIS MIRANDA, late of Lower Mahim, Native Christian.
THOMAS MARTIN MAJOR, late of Bombay, European.
PERCY M. ROBERTS, late of Bombay, European.
H. S. BARTELS, late Guard on the North-Western Railway.

All persons having claims against, being indebted to, or holding Property belonging to the abovenamed Estates are hereby requested to state their claims, pay their debts, and hand over such property to the Undersigned forthwith. All claims must be sent to the Undersigned, at his Office, within One Month from the date of this Advertisement. At the expiration of the said period the Assets of the Estates will be distributed, and claims received after that period will not be Recognised.

L. RIVETT-CARNAC,
Administrator-General.
Administrator-General's Office, High Court, Bombay, 8th December, 1894.

COMMISSARIAT NOTICE.—No. 35.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Commissariat Storekeeper-General, Bombay, up to 12 Noon (Local time), for the Supply of TEA, India grown, Black, in the quantities noted below, on the 10TH JANUARY, 1895, for One, Two, and Three years Contracts commencing from 1st April, 1895.

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R. ANDERSON, CAPTAIN,
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Commissariat Storekeeper-General's Office, Bombay, 15th December, 1894.

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The London Lyric Company, Tivoli Theatre, *The Shaughraun*, 9 p.m.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.—The Bishop of Bombay will preach in the Cathedral to-morrow evening.

MUSIC OF THE YACHT CLUB.—There will be a Band at the Yacht Club at and after dinner on Monday, the 24th instant.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for China and Australia, per s.s. Rosetta, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 7 a.m., on Thursday, the 27th instant.

THE MAHARANI ICE COMPANY'S PROPERTY.—The property of the Maharani Ice Company was to be put up to sale by Messrs. Bennett and Co., auctioneers, on the premises, in Armenian Lane, Yesterday, at a reserved bid of Rs. 50 000. There being no bidder over this amount, the sale was postponed *sine die*.

THEFT AT BANYAN ROAD.—Popat Ghella, residing on the second floor of a house, at Banyan Road, reported to the police, on Thursday morning, that on his return home from work on the previous evening, he found the door of his room open, and on going inside discovered that his wooden box had been broken open, and currency notes and cash and gold and silver ornaments, of the collective value of Rs. 705, stolen therefrom.

A JEWELLER ARRESTED.—Fakroodin Mahomed Hoosein, a Mahomedan jeweller, putting up with one Sarfraz, in a room, on the 5th floor of a house, at Chimna Butcher Street, has reported the theft of jewellery and gold and silver ornaments, of the collective value of Rs. 6,776 from a canvas bag, containing jewellery to the amount of Rs. 27,000. On Tuesday the jeweller was attacked with fever, and he could not leave his bed until Thursday, when he discovered that the bag had been cut open down the side, and jewellery to the amount in question had been stolen. The man Sarfraz has disappeared since the 18th instant.

SAVE ME FROM MY FRIENDS.—On Thursday, the B. B. and C. I. Railway police arrested on suspicion a purdesee, named Davising Dewasing, aged forty-two years, at the Gooregaum Railway Station, and on searching his person discovered gold and silver ornaments and cash, of the aggregate value of Rs. 352. The purdesee was afterwards brought down to Bombay, and, on investigation, it was ascertained that he was in the habit of visiting the house of a friend, named Ramjeon Bhawjee, in Kamathipura, and that during the absence of the latter on Thursday, accused having stolen gold and silver ornaments and cash, enticed away complainant's wife.

THEFT BY A TENANT.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Krishnaji Babaji was charged with the theft of Rs. 100, belonging to Harchand Madhavrao. Complainant deposited the money for safe custody with his father-in-law, who is the landlord of the accused, who happened to be in the room at the time the money was handed over to complainant's father-in-law. Accused was asked to place the money in a tin-box, but he did not do so, and absconded with the money by the rear door. Complainant did not desire to press the charge against the accused, who was accordingly sentenced to only twenty-one days' rigorous imprisonment.

THE RECENT THEFT AT MEDOWS STREET.—It will be remembered that the man who was arrested for wholesale theft of watches and clocks was convicted and sentenced by Mr. Dastur, Third Presidency Magistrate, to a term of eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labour. Inspector Mynn who was in charge of the case, applied to the magistrate yesterday that the property, worth about Rs. 318, recovered before and since the conviction of the accused, be handed over to its owner, Mr. Jehangirji Kursedjee. The total value of property stolen is Rs. 870. The magistrate ordered that the property be restored to its owner.

PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS.—On account of this festive season the Pall Mall Hair Cutting Saloon and Toilet Club (next to Messrs. Hamilton and Co.'s premises on the Esplanade Road), contains a very large assortment of perfumes, made by Pinaud, Violet, Geille, Piverog, Rigaud, Atkinson, and others. As regards toilet requisites for gentlemen, such as razors, shaving creams, and soaps, sponges, &c., there is a very large stock to choose from. For the ladies there are powders and creams for the complexion; fringes in all shades and styles, besides hair frames also in all shades, which are in great demand in London. There is also a speciality known as the Pall Mall hair wash for shampooing ladies and gentlemen's hair, which is prepared by the proprietor himself, and which is being largely used in all parts of India. There are wigs and theatrical requisites, which may be commended to those giving balls and amateur performances.

AMERICAN MISSION HIGH SCHOOL.—The annual distribution of prizes to the boy and girl pupils of the above institution came off yesterday evening, in the American Mission Church, Bhendy Bazar, the Rev. E. S. Hume presiding. The proceedings commenced with a short prayer, at the conclusion of which the students went creditably through a programme, consisting of Marathi hymns, action songs, recitations, Marathi dialogue, &c. The Rev. E. S. Hume then addressed the meeting, stating that the school commenced, with only one student, and at present it had on the rolls no less than 160 pupils. The Government grant to the school had been increased by sixty per cent. Special attention had been paid by Mrs. Hume to the teaching of needle-work. European music had been taught to the boys and girls in the same manner as that adopted in Boston and other places in the United States. Mrs. S. H. Evans having distributed the prizes, the proceedings were brought to an end with the singing of the National Anthem.

SUSPECTED THEFT OF RS. 1,500.—Heerjibhoy Jamal, an old Khoja merchant, residing on the third floor of a house, at Don Tad Street, has reported to the police that currency notes, of the value of Rs. 1,500, had been missing from a cupboard in his room on Wednesday. From inquiries made by the police, it appears that about noon, on Tuesday, complainant took out of the cupboard a cloth bag containing currency notes and cash, of the value of Rs. 3,000 out of which he gave his wife, a young woman, notes of the value of Rs. 1,000, and after that the Khoja did not remember whether he replaced in the bag the missing notes with another roll of no es and cash for Rs. 500, or mislaid them on a sofa, where he counted the notes and gave them to his wife, as he was in a hurry to go to the Fort. On the following morning complainant's servant Abdul Kadur Ismail, aged twenty-two years, informed his master that the cupboard was open and on the latter's examining it he discovered the theft. The police took the servant into custody, and he will be charged before a magistrate for theft.

THEFT BY A SERVANT.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Abdul Kadur Ismail was charged before Mr. Pheroz Hosung Dastur, Third Presidency Magistrate, with theft of currency notes, of the value of Rs. 1,500, the property of his master, Harjeebhoy Jamal, residing at the Cornucopian Bank who prosecuted the accused, applied for a postponement of the case, and in doing so he briefly stated the facts connected with the theft. On Tuesday complainant placed Rs. 3,000 in currency notes and cash in a bag which he locked in a cupboard. During the day he took therefrom a sum of Rs. 1,500. On the following day accused informed complainant that his cupboard was open. Complainant thereupon examined the contents of the bag and found Rs. 1,500 missing. He reported the matter to the police, who arrested accused on suspicion after a careful enquiry. After recording the evidence of the complainant, the magistrate adjourned the case until Monday next to enable the police to make further enquiries.

STRANGE CASE OF CHEATING A BRIDEGROOM.—At the Mazagon Police Court, before Mr. E. Wilkin, acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, Mr. Furdoonjee Sorabjee Taleyarkhan, barrister-at-law, appeared for the prosecution, in a case in which Esoo Bapoo, the complainant, states that on or about the 13th September last, one Dajee, a Hindoo, and Bhagoo, a woman, living with him, called at his place and informed him that they were in a position to get complainant married to a woman, named Siti, whom they knew well, and who was represented as being a woman of good character. The complainant who is a widower, being acquainted with Dajee and Bhagee, consented to their proposal, and having settled the amount of presents to be made by him to his wife, a day was fixed for the marriage ceremony. The marriage was duly solemnized on the 17th of the same month, and complainant made presents to his wife of the value of nearly Rs. 200. He further gave Rs. 40 to Dajee, who promised to purchase some pootlees for the new bride. After the ceremony Dajee and Bhagee requested complainant to allow his wife Siti to remain with them for a few hours as they were leaving Bombay the next day. Complainant accordingly allowed his wife to go with them. The next morning, the wife not turning up complainant went over to Dajee's house, and to his great surprise found all the three of the party missing. On making inquiries he learnt that Dajee, Bhagee, and Siti had gone to the village of Ichoori, near Nassik; and that the woman Siti, who went through the marriage ceremony with him was at the time a married woman, her husband residing somewhere near Nassik. Warrants for the arrest of Dajee, Bhagee, and Siti were granted, and the first two were arrested, and allowed to go on bail. The hearing of the case was postponed till the 22nd proximo.

GOA NEWS.—Sota-pilot Curado was attacked at midnight by the Port Officer Captain Barbosa on board the pilot boat and after a sound thrashing was thrown overboard. The Custom House boats picked up the man in an unconscious state. He was hung up feet upwards to get rid of the water which he had swallowed, and in unconscious state was removed to the hospital only being restored with the utmost difficulty. Every one expected that the authorities would take up the case which has produced a great indignation. But nothing of the kind. The man has been discharged from the hospital with twenty days leave to recover. Not a word is said regarding the author of the crime, and the hospital authorities absolutely ignore the causes of Curado's illness.—Mr. Baptista Coelho, Director of the School of Arts and Industries, has returned to Portugal in order to purchase the necessary instruments for the institution as if there was no one in Portugal who could do this business.—According to theschesme of Colonel Assa, there is to be a survey of the Goa forest. In 1893 the survey of the districts of Nagar-Avely at Damaun was ordered, and Rs. 2,500 were spent, but without any practical result.—The decision regarding the proposal of the British Government to have a topographical survey of the whole of Goa is not yet known. Colonel Claudio Cazneiro, who was specially deputed for this work has been recalled.—The Prelate of Mozambique arrived on the 13th and joined the Ecclesiastical Provincial Council.—Mr. Issac Gracias has been entrusted with the carrying out of the regulations for village communities.—Till the arrival of the new Governor for Damaun Mr. Sermenho will carry on the duties as acting Governor.—A suit for defamation has been filed by Mr. Sertorio Coelho against the editor of the *Voiz e Um de Setembro*. There being no press law at present, it will be difficult to obtain a conviction.—The Portuguese transport Africa is expected at Goa.—Mr. P. M. T. M. de Athaide e Mello has been confirmed as assistant in the Revenue Department.—Dr. D. J. de Menezes has been given a service medal for distinguished services in West Africa.—Mr. Feleer, the Police Commandant, recommends that the police should receive their wages by *voie forfee* instead of by provincial rein.—The Municipal Chamber of Bardez has ordered the construction of a wing to its building for the accommodation of the Judicial Department.—Judicial investigation is pending regarding the murder of a Hindu of Mandrem, whose body was found on a hill. The Regidor ordered the corpse to be burnt without investigation, and when the scandal was rumoured abroad he held a posthumous enquiry and antedated the proceedings. The implicated parties are under arrest.—The Panjim Club composed of Europeans and Eurasians is to be dissolved and two clubs will be formed for each section respectively. It is reported that natives will be admitted in the European section.—The feast of St. Francis Xavier, on the 10th instant, was celebrated with unusual grandeur. The concourse of people was about 15,000.—Scarcity of drinking-water is being experienced in Panjim very early this year. The project of Bangueinim to bring water by pipes which is still in abeyance will once more be revived, but probably without effect.

HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before SIR CHARLES SARGENT, Chief Justice, and the Hon. MR. JUSTICE FARRAN.)

A SUIT FOR A DISPUTED DEBT.

DR. SIDNEY SMITH VS. CASIMIR SALVADOR BRITO.

THIS was an appeal from a decision of Mr. Justice Parsons, who, on the 14th November 1893, passed a decree in favour of the plaintiff for Rs. 4,854 12-8 for debt, and interest and costs. Mr. Russell and Lord Collis Campbell, instructed by Messrs. Turner and Hemming, appeared for the appellant and defendant; and the Hon. Mr. Lang and Mr. Macpherson, instructed by Messrs. Wadia and Ghandy, appeared for the plaintiff and respondent.

It appears that the defendant is a Christian inhabitant residing at Mangalore, Kanara, on the Malabar Coast. The plaintiff, on the 10th September 1890, advanced to the defendant in Bombay the sum of Rs. 3,500, which the defendant promised to repay on demand with interest at 12 per cent. per annum. Plaintiff had demanded the amount of the note, but the defendant had not repaid it. At the hearing in the lower court, counsel for the defendant applied for a postponement, which was not granted, and the hearing proceeded *ex-parte*, after which his lordship gave a decree for plaintiff for Rs. 3,500 with interest and costs, and further interest on the judgments. It was urged on behalf of the defendant before the Appeal Court that the judge was in error in making his decree; that the facts set out in the defendant's affidavit, dated 13th November 1893, constituted a defence which the defendant was entitled to lay before the court; that the judge should have allowed the defendant the opportunity of putting his defence, as disclosed in the affidavit, before the court; that the judge should have granted the defendant the time asked for to produce his evidence and witnesses before the court; and that the judge did not exercise a judicial discretion in declining to grant the defendant's application to have the suit transferred to the list of long causes, or in any event to allow the defendant time to prepare and put in his defence. In the affidavit above referred to, the defendant stated that the said amount was not due from him to the plaintiff; and that the promissory note was not executed to secure the repayment of the sum, as the plaintiff well knew. The note was given to the plaintiff without consideration at his request and to serve his purpose, and at the time it was so given, it was never intended to be used against the defendant as evidence of debt. The defendant in his affidavit in question further said that the suit was fraudulently brought by the plaintiff in order to recover a sum of money to which he had no right. The circumstances attending the business transactions that had taken place between the plaintiff and defendant extended over some years, and were said to be of a complicated character. In 1889 the plaintiff went to visit certain coffee estate called Katulekhan in the Bababudan Mountains in the province of Mysore. This estate belonged to the defendant's brother, B. A. Brito: and the plaintiff's object in proceeding to the estate was to see if he formed a good security for monies which he intended to invest thereon. The defendant then journeyed from his residence to Koompta to meet the plaintiff; and with monies advanced from his own pocket, he paid all the plaintiff and his party required for a comfortable journey. There was no railway, and the means of conveyance were bullock carriages, palanquins, and boats. Defendant escorted the plaintiff and his party where he wished, including a visit to the Gairsippa Falls, made all arrangements for his journey, found conveyances for all of them, and paid all expenses, even including messing. The plaintiff, it was true, had lent to defendant's brother various sums of money, amounting in all to about two lakhs of rupees. Defendant was then manager of the Kathlekhan Estate, and had advanced monies of his own in the management upon the promise that the whole should be repaid when the estate was sold to a projected company. The plaintiff did not carry out his agreement to float the intended company; and matters thus become complicated.

Their lordships, on a consideration of all the circumstances of the case and the arguments of counsel, dismissed the appeal with costs.

(Before the Hon. MR. JUSTICE FULTON.)

THE AFFAIRS OF MESSRS. G. A. CHARPIE AND CO.

CHARLES FAILEY VS. GEORGE ARNOLD CHARPIE.

THIS is a suit in which the plaintiff Charles Failey, a partner in the firm of G. A. Charpie and Co., Watch, makers, prayed for the dissolution of the partnership and the appointment of a receiver. He had obtained a rule *nisi* calling upon the defendant, George Arnold Charpie, to show cause why a receiver should not be appointed to take charge of the assets of the firm: and the rule having come on for hearing his lordship ordered that George Arnold Charpie should act as the receiver on giving security to the extent of Rs. 10,000 before the 7th of January next, failing which, Mr. A. C. Turner should be the receiver to realize the assets of the firm. It was contended by the defendant that he returned to Bombay and took charge of the business of the firm as manager under the agreement of the 23rd of March 1893. The Court over-ruled the contention, holding that he returned not as manager under the agreement, but as senior partner of the firm.

THE ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF BOMBAY.

THE ordinary monthly meeting of the Society was held at the rooms of the Society, 6 Apollo Street, on the 19th instant, when Mr. H. A. Acworth, President, presided. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The following present was announced and thanks voted to the donor:—To the Library, from Berlin Zeitschrift Fur Ethnologie for 1894, Heft V. Mr. Tribhowandas Mugvaldas Nathubhoy then read an interesting paper on "the death ceremoni a among the Kapole Banias."

The author said that so rigid is the adherence enjoined to by custom in the ceremonious performance of the funeral rites that the observance proved a superstitive method of instructing how the belief in life after death is material and all-important in itself. The reasoning of the Hindoos on this subject when analysed would be found very simple and explicit. Life and death, they argue are the working of nature or its agent, but an observance of the rites prescribed to secure them better lies in the power of mankind. Man, consequently, should not be found wanting to perform the prescribed ceremonies inasmuch as it seems the assurance of a better birth or generation after death. The usual votes of thanks to the author of the paper and the chair concluded the business of the meeting.

SMALL CAUSES COURT.

(Before Mr. MAHOMED HOOSEIN HAKIM, Fifth Judge.)

SUIT ON A BALANCE OF FREIGHT.

GLADE AND CO. VS. JAMES MACKINTOSH AND CO.

THE plaintiffs' claim was for the recovery of Rs. 155-13-8, the equivalent of £7-6-3 wrongly claimed and deducted from the balance of freight, viz., 309-1-3, due to the plaintiffs for the carriage of 305 tons 15 cwts. of Ramsay's patent condensed coke, per s.s. Stolzenfels, as per account annexed. Mr. Hebder, of Messrs. Crawford, Burder, Buckland and Bayley, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Brown, of Messrs. Brown and Moir, represented the defendants. The Fifth Judge, in delivering judgment, said:—It is admitted that the plaintiffs are agents to the "Hausa Line." As agents they cannot sue the defendants. To cure this defect Mr. Burder, for plaintiffs, put in a document purporting to be a power of attorney for the "Hausa Line" on a very late stage of the proceedings, when the case on both the sides was closed. The defendants have had no opportunity of replying to the fresh case set up by the plaintiffs. It would be most improper and irregular for me to admit the document at this stage. I have considered the merits of the case, and I would not dismiss the suit, but I would give the plaintiffs the option of withdrawing the suit with leave to file a fresh suit under proper authority. I learn that the plaintiffs are willing to withdraw the suit. Suit withdrawn with leave. The set-off goes with the suit withdrawn. No order as to costs.

THE BOMBAY-BURMA TRADING CORPORATION.

AN ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation was held yesterday, at the registered office, Elphinstone Circle, under the presidency of the Honourable Mr. W. R. Macdonald, chairman of the board of directors. The directors' report, which was as usual withheld from the reporters of the Press, together with the audited accounts, was approved and adopted. A dividend of Rs. 300 per share of the original issue, and Rs. 75 per share of the third issue, was declared payable on and after the 27th instant. Messrs. C. E. Mirsa and Furdoonjee Ardeseer Cursetjee were elected auditors for the current year, with a remuneration of Rs. 350 each. Mr. Lakhmidas Khimjee and Mr. L. P. Russell who retired, were re-elected directors of the Corporation. The proceedings ended with the customary compliment to the chairman.

INQUIRE FOR GAMES.—Artists' Colours, Household Requisites, Patent Medicines, Toilet Preparations and Articles, Invalids' Food, Sick Room Requisites, cuts, and &c. &c. Sandow for personal use, &c., at MADON, SON & Co., Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

THE HYDERABAD DEWAN'S TOUR.

A NATIVE correspondent writes to us from Gulburga in the following elevated strain:—His Excellency the noble Prime Minister having been, in all stately grandeur, firmly seated, on the Premiership seat, possessing the trust and confidence of his Sovereign Master, has become quite anxious to acquaint himself, both with the character of the country, aspirations, and needs of the people, and that of the state and condition of the administration in the districts, is about to come on tour, in the Southern Province, that from Zone-fourth part of the vast dominions (covering 25 thousand miles in area; 20 lakhs in population; one and half crore annual revenue, containing also many petty states and jaghirs, just equal to Mysore Territory in the points touched above, though not abreast and parallel in the administrative latitude of that model and politically progressive State of ancient reverential fame. He will leave Hyderabad on Saturday, the 21st instant, for Raichore, halting a few hours, at Sirsam, just to inspect Tahasildari and second Talugdari records and offices. His Excellency will proceed from Raichore to Lingasoogur—head-quarters of the same district—and visit Shorapore, Shahapuri, Yadgir, and Gulburga, inspecting and examining *en route*, Tahasila as *route*, and visiting also the important place—called Wundli Gold Mines in the Raichore Doab, of which very recently, the lease to the Deccan Mining Company, after a sumptuous dinner at the sky-looking palace of Hyderabad, was executed.

During the administrations of his predecessors, after the illustrious regentship of the first Salar Jung (Meer Turab Ali Khan) several short trips were made along the line of iron horse, i.e., railways, (more I believe for the sake of amusements than to study the resources of the country), but Nawab Vicar-al-Umra, the present Dewan, is the first Prime Minister that has undertaken a tour through the otherwise backward district of his Highness' Dominions.

His Excellency, no doubt, will gain much knowledge in his peregrinations by his studious and intelligent observations. And it should prove by far the best factor to guide and assist his administrative capacity coupled with two decades varied experiences under his predecessors, in introducing such reforms as will prove a blessing to the country—"by the way, adding no fifth wheel to the administrative vehicle"—and give a genuine stimulus and life to the schemes left as legacies by the much lamented Sir Salar Jung. Further the aid of vastly experienced men like Mr. A.J. Dunlop, the Senior Member of the Revenue Board; Nawab Azam Yar Jung Bahadur, the Financial and Revenue Secretary, whose knowledge of finances and revenue pronounced to be the best available in the realm, well-known also as being man of profound erudition; Mr. Syed Ali Belgrami, Secretary of Public Works Department and Official Director of Railways and Mines; and last but not least, Nawab Imad Jung Bahadur—Pillar of the realm, the Miscellaneous Secretary, all accompanying him. It is quite natural that his Excellency may be expecting to be confronted with many complicated difficulties, criticisms and antagonisms, but these aspects will greatly strengthen his hands as they have done in the way of great thinkers and statesmen of the world. He should never invite hesitancy and flatterisms in expelling the romantic and vacillating intrigue *Gas* through the cold conduits of the environing horizon, for the good of the country, if still exists any, by the all powerful influence, and kind aid of the British representative at hand. It is no meagre praise to say that he has, during the recent official vicissitudes, selected very good and able Provincial Commissioners—whose need might seem to superficial observer to be the question of administrative progress, in the face of the extensive tour of the Revenue Board—viz: the able Subadar, Nawab Rafat Yar Jung, Rai Murlidhur of Aurungabad, and others. The former's unstinted character, long service, sound knowledge, and the latter's reformative spirit and ability, without fear of contradiction can be said, will go a great deal to be helpful to the sound administration. We hope his Excellency's administration, thus favourably situated, will prove most successful and long lived one—just to avoid the misfortune which this State was, hitherto, smarting under in the changes of Dawans. His will earn the lasting gratitude of the people over whom time and chances have placed him to rule, as he is credited with having much accurate knowledge of the complicated phases of the political systems, honesty of purpose, energetic devotion to duty, sympathetic love with the aspirations of the subjects, and zealous reverence to the throne. His success in this most difficult point will be a triumph for the administration and merit, the highest recognition the State can give him, and will leave an enduring name to the posterity. His Excellency's tour will last about a month over the Southern Province, returning to Hyderabad by the end of January, 1895.

Ever since the intelligence of his movement has been out over the districts the local authorities have been very brisk and adroit to show him the efficiency in their duties and functions and people and petty chiefs to show their love and loyalty to the representative of their sovereign.

"THE SHAUGHRAUN" AT THE TIVOLI.

TO-NIGHT the London Lyric Company will stage the late Dion Boucicault's amusing and romantic Irish drama, "The Shaughraun." Having presented a series of farcical comedies, these clever actors will now provide a more substantial fare, and their choice is a good one for a Saturday night audience. Their work last year demonstrated that they are equally at home in the bold treatment of drama as in the delicate handling of comedy and the knock-about business of farce. An adequate rendering of "The Shaughraun" is assured. This famous play, since its production in New York and London twenty years ago, has proved one of the most popular of the great author-actor's works, and holds with its kindred plays, "Arragh na Pogue" and "The Colleen Bawn" a supreme position in Irish drama. It would be difficult to choose the best of these three dramas. Those who like plenty of fun and frolic mixed with drama would probably decide on "the Shaughraun," for the ne'er-do-weel Conn, with his genial, carel-ss, rollicking ways, seldom appears without creating roars of laughter. He lives with Lever's creation, Mickey Free, as a type, an exaggerated one, perhaps of the Irishman ridiculing Irishman of the poor class, over preferring to earn a livelihood by his wits to his hands. Skilfully drawn are all the other characters in the play, and with its felicitous language, masterly construction, and exciting scenes, it wins the admiration of all classes. "Dr. Bill," the screaming Avenue success, that made George Alexander's fortune, is announced for Monday, and on Boxing Night the great drama "The Romany Rye" by G. R. Sims.

THE CAMPAIGN IN WAZIRISTAN.

THE ADVANCE FROM WANA.

THE JANDULA BRIGADE.

JANDULA, 16th December.

As already wired you, the expedition against the Mahsud Waziris has been sanctioned and the force is now only awaiting the completion of final arrangements before commencing operations. The column will probably be the first to move, to inform the Waziris that the Government have determined that the Anglo-Afghan delimitation of Waziristan shall proceed; that to ensure the above a military force under General Lockhart is being sent into the country, to enforce conditions and to punish offenders; and to solemnly warn all concerned that resistance will only entail still more severe punishment. The above is the general tenor of the proclamation.

The general health of the troops is good.

The force will not advance from here before the 17th, and may have to remain some considerable time in the country.

Captain Cooch, Border Regiment, and Lieutenant Ryder, 1st Gurkhas, have been sent back ill to the base from Wana.

General Lockhart assumes political as well as military charge of the operations.

Later.

The force advances from here on the 18th.

KAJURI KACH, 18th December.

General Turner's brigade marched from Wana to-day towards Kaniguram. The road is very bad over the Sharza Kotal and will require much making to fit it for camel traffic. There was no opposition whatever. The brigade encamped a few miles beyond the Kotal. All the sick and the spare stores have been left behind in the fortified village at Wana, which is occupied by the 20th Punjab Infantry, and two guns of No. 3 Peshawar Mountain Battery, with 36 sabres of the 1st Punjab Calvary.

JANDULA, 17th December.

Mr. King, C. S., Political Officer, arrived to-day. Lieutenant Baumgartner, East Lancashire Regiment, Assistant Superintendent of Army Signalling, has also arrived.

A reconnaissance under Colonel Mason was fired upon this afternoon while returning to camp from Margaband. There were no casualties. The force advances at nine o'clock to-morrow morning; the first day's march being to Margaband, the second to Surimanja Kach near the Borari Tangi, the third to Janjal, the fourth to Makin. The Wana column also advances to-morrow to-day's objective being Kanigurum, to be reached in three marches. The Banna column, marched this morning, and proceeds to Razmak, north of the Mahsud Waziri country. The official designation given to the force is the "Waziristan Field Force."

18th December.

By Helio. from Margaband.—The force has arrived at Margaband. No opposition was met with. Signalling has been established with the hill above Jandula.

JANDULA, 17th December.

The welcome news has arrived that this column is to be called the 2nd Brigade Waziristan Field Force. A reconnaissance towards Shingi Koti, which lies in a northern direction from Jandula, the road following the bed of the Tonk Zam Valley, started this morning at 9 a.m. under the command of Major Mason, R. E. The force he took with him consisted of one troop, 1st Punjab Cavalry and four companies 38th Dogras, Captain Douglas, Intelligence Officer, and Captain Browne, Divisional Signalling Officer, accompanied the force. Shingi Koti is about eleven miles from here. A telegram has just come in to say the reconnoitring force reached Margaband, seven miles out, at 11-15, the infantry halted there, the cavalry pushing on to Shingi Koti. The latter place is only a small village of the usual hill type, with a small watch tower close by which is used as a fort. Several maliks who live near the place were met, but the Politicals gave them orders to proceed in to Jandula, where they will probably be interviewed this evening.

A report came in this morning to say that the telegraph wire between here and Khargi was cut last night, and a lot of wire carried off. Communication was promptly restored by Mr. Grimes' Telegraph Department and his staff, so that if the wire cutters meant to stop the force from communicating with India their object was defeated.—*Pioneer*.

DIVINE SERVICE.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT, DECEMBER 23.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral.—Agutter in G.—Hymns 33, 318 and 46.
11 a.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Bombay.—Hymns 49, 183 and 51.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis.—Simper in F.
Anthem—
Daily Matins at 6-45 a.m. and Evensong at 4

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Scale for these Advertisements is as follows:—Not exceeding 2 lines, Re. 1 each succeeding line, As. 8. No Trade Advertisements are admitted under this Scale.

GOLD AND SILVER PENCIL CASES.—18ct. Gold Pencil cases fitted for Cedar Pencils, plain or Engine-turned. Every gentleman with Watch Chain attachment. Rs. 8 to Rs. 15. Silver, Rs. 4. Telescopic Pencil Cases, gold Rs. 12 to Rs. 48. Silver, Rs. 6 to Rs. 12.—MARCKS & Co., Lt., Jewellers, Bombay and Poona.

NEW NOVELTIES in TOYS, DOLLS, and FANCY GOODS, per s. s. Drachenfels, to Hand To-day. Inspection Solicited.—SHROFF BROTHERS, Rampart Row.

FISH POND.—Our Annual Treat to 1400 Children OPENS TO-DAY. Great Excitement and Rare Fun. Band and Illumination on 'Xmas Eve.—SHROFF BROTHERS, Rampart Row.

OUR 'XMAS BAZAR is now Complete with everything Desired by 'Xmas Tree Holders. Special Discount to Large Buyers.—SHROFF BROTHERS, Rampart Row.

NEW DERBY TIES, Pin-Scarfs, Scarf-Pins, Scarf-Rings, and Tie-Clips, Real Niekle-plated.—Collection Unparalleled in the history of the Importation!—BATLIBOI and VIRJEE, Opposite the Novelty, Bombay.

TAYLOR'S FAMILY HOTEL.—The BALL on Taylor's Family Hotel, Advertised for Christmas Eve, is POSTPONED to the NIGHT of the 31st INSTANT. Applications for Tickets should be made at once, as only a limited number of Guests can be Accommodated. Apply to the MANAGER.

'XMAS PRESENTATION TEAS.—In Handsome Ornamental Boxes, suitable as Presents to friends at Home or in India. Choice Spring Crop Selections, unsurpassed for Purity, Flavor and Colour from our General Younghusband's Celebrated Gardens in the Kangra Valley.—22, Church Gate Street, MORTON, MAJU and Co.

MAHABLESHWAR DAWK RE-OPENED —Comfortable PHAETON and TONGA DAWKS from POONA to MAHABLESHWAR, also from WATHAR to MAHABLESHWAR, can be obtained at reasonable rates from BURJORJI PEROSHAW, Diplomaed Dawk Supplier to H. E. the Governor of Bombay and Staff.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.—Majolica Art Pottery, Flowerpots, Trays, Cake Stands, Jardinieres, Inkstands, Flower Vases, Afternoon Tea Sets, Ash Trays, Centre-pieces, Card Trays, &c. and Fancy Glassware.—LAMP WAREHOUSE, E. DITMAR, late Theodor Knaust, 69, Esplanade Road.

OUR 'XMAS TABLE.—A Novelty. One Rupee per Ticket. Prizes include a Handsome WATCH. No Blanks.—PHILLIPS & Co., Lt., Byculla.

'XMAS STORES, Wines, Confectionery, Crackers, Cards, Toys, etc.—PHILLIPS & Co., Lt., Bombay and Poona.

LOST.—At the Naval and Military Tournament, on Thursday Night, a Light-brown Chesterfield OVERCOAT. Finder will oblige by returning it to "No. 22," care of this Office.

LOST.—At 3-45 P.M., at the Tournament, on the West Side of the Oval, a GOLD RING with Single Diamond. REWARD of Rs. 25 to anyone Returning it to "No. 556." care of this Office.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 21.

THE introduction by the Government of India of a bill for the levying of import duty on Cotton Piece-Goods and Yarns, and of a countervailing excise duty on those of competing Indian production (the rumours regarding which we noticed last week) which has been referred to a select committee of the Viceroy's Council, and full particulars of which will be found in our other columns, has been the subject of most interest in commercial circles since the date of our last report; and has caused some general advance in the prices of those Imports which will be affected by this measure. Business generally has remained quiet in view of the approach of the Christmas holidays for which the Banks close to-morrow, not to re-open till next Thursday. Cotton has been taken more freely by exporters in a generally steady market; but in this staple, as in Wheat, only a moderate business, upon the whole, has been reported; while Wheat has been quiet on most days, and neglected to a great extent by shippers. Exchange has been quiet but steady throughout the week, and rates which have not moved more than 1-32d. either way, close this evening on last Friday evening's level for Bank Paper, but rather lower for Mercantile Bills. Money is easy. Government Paper has been fairly steady, and closes 1-16 per cent. higher. Quotations for Freights have not varied much; but there has been even less demand for tonnage from shippers than in the previous week.

MONEY.—The reduction of close upon 48 lakhs, at 390½ lakhs, in the Presidency Bank's Cash Balance at the close of last week, as shown by the Statement of Affairs issued on Monday, was brought about by an increase to nearly that extent in the requirements of trade, a much more considerable diminution in Private Deposits, and a materially larger increase in Bills Discounted than in the previous week having been disclosed by the Return under notice; while in Loans, on the other hand, there had been a small decrease. Instead of the large addition to Public Deposits which, in the week preceding, went to augment the Cash Balance, a diminution at the Bank's head office and branches, aggregating some 9½ lakhs, was shown, but was partly met by the realisation of Government Securities held by the Bank. Money meantime has been easy; and the minimum rate of the Bank of Bombay remains at 3 per cent.

EXCHANGE opened on last mail-day with a firm feeling at 1s. 0 15-16d., for Bank Telegraphic, and 1s. 0 31-32d. Demand, and at 1s. 1 1-16d. for three months' sight Credits, for December delivery; but there was nothing offering at the latter rate; while in Bank remittance, a moderate amount of ready Telegraphic at 1s. 0 31-32d., and forward Demand, was reported. Gold dealers were also reported to have been in the market as buyers to a moderate extent, and the market closed steady. On Monday the market opened weak at 1s. 0 29-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and 1s. 0 15-16d. for Demand, and at 1s. 0 15-16d., for Telegraphic for February transfer, and remained thereat all day without enquiry. Three months' sight Credits opened at 1s. 1 1/32d. and receded to 1s. 1d, at which a little business was reported, the market closing quiet. On the following day the market was weak again at opening, at 1s. 0 7/32d. Telegraphic and Demand for Bank remittance, and at 1s. 0 31-32d. for three months' sight Bills, for December delivery, and remained thereat all day, a moderate amount of Mercantile Paper having been placed at this rate; also a fair amount of Gold on the basis of 1s. 0 15-16d. Demand. Later on, Calcutta rates came steadier, and Bank Demand improved here to 1s. 0 29-32d. without, however, eliciting any enquiry, and we closed steadier. On Wednesday, however, the market opened quiet again at 1s. 0 ⅝d. for Telegraphic and 1s. 0 29-32d. for Demand, and at 1s. 0 31-32d. for three months' sight Credits, for delivery to 13th January, and 1s. 1 1-32d. later, and a moderate amount of Merchants' Bills were reported placed at 31-32d.; also Private Telegraphic at 1s. 0 29-32d. With no enquiry for Bank remittance rates steadied towards the afternoon, ready Bank Telegraphic having been available at 1s. 0 29-32d., without, however, attracting buyers. Yesterday again, the market opened quiet at 1s. 0 15-16d. Telegraphic and Demand for Bank remittance, and at 1s. 1d. for three months' sight Credits for the mail, which latter rate, however, did not remain for long as more Gold came upon the market again, and was placed at the equivalent of about 1s. 0 15.16d. Demand. For Bank Paper a moderate enquiry sprang up from the speculative element early in the day; but soon subsided, and the demand from bona fide buyers was again very limited. To-day the market was steady at opening, at 1s. 0 15-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 1d. for three months' sight Credits; also at 1s. 0 31-32d. for forward Telegraphic for February-March delivery, at which latter rate a fair amount was taken. A few ready Merchants' Bills have also been pleased at our quotation; but the amount offering has again been very limited, and, before the close Bank Paper receded 1-32d. for ready and forward Telegraphic, closing as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	...1s. 0 15-16d.	per rupee
Do. Telegraphic	...1s. 0 29-32d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight	..1s. 0 15-16d.	"
Do. 4 "	... 1s. 0 31-32d.	"
Do. 6 "	... 1s. 1d.	"
Credits "	...1s. 1d. mail	"
Do. 6 "	... 1s. 1 1-16d. "	"
Documents 3 "	... 1s. 1 1-32d. "	"
Do. 6 "	... 1s. 1 3-32d. "	"
Francs 3 "	... 1·36½ "	"
Do. 6 "	... 1·37½ "	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER opened at 103 13-32d. for 3½ per Cents for cash, and 103 9-16 for the January settlement, on Saturday morning, but declined therefrom to 103 11-16 and 103½ in the two positions, respectively, closing, however, at some recovery in prices at 103⅝ for Money, and 103½ per Account. On Monday morning the market opened at Saturday's closing rates; but declined therefrom to 103 9-16 and 103 3-8 in the two positions, respectively, rallying, however, before the close, and leaving off at 103 5-8 for Money, and 103 7-16 for Account. These rates were again quoted on Tuesday morning, and prices advanced therefrom to 103 11-16 and 103½ in the two positions, respectively, in a steady market; but eventually closed at the opening quotations. The market was steady again on Wednesday, rates having opened 103 5-8 for Money, and 103 3-8 for Account, and remained at this level until near the close, when an advance of 1-16 to 1-8 per cent. was established, prices leaving off at 103 11-16 for cash, and 103½ for the settlement at the beginning of next month. Yesterday rates opened at 103 11-16 and 103½ for 3½ per cent. for Money and Account, respectively, and rates advanced 1-16 per cent. in a steady market, leaving off at 103⅝ for the former, and 103 9-16 for the latter. To-day the market has been steady again at 103⅝ for Money, and 103 9-16 for Account, at which rates left off this evening.

Municipal 5 per cent. Loan is ¼ per cent. lower at 124. Port Trust Bonds are unchanged at 107.

SHARES have been a quiet but generally steady market throughout the week, and there has been but little movement in prices on any line. Compared with our quotations by last mail, however, we note an advance of Rs. 40 in Star of India Mill Shares; of Rs. 10 in Bombay National; and of Rs. 5 each in Central India; Imperial, Khatao Mucconji, and Leopold; while, on the other hand, Queen have declined Rs. 15; Victoria, Sholapore, Oriental, Connaught, Bombay United, and Alliance Rs. 5 each; and Swadeshi and Colaba Land and Mill Rs. 2½ each. In Press Shares Fort are Rs. 25 higher; and East Indian, Rs. 10; but Volkarts have declined Rs. 5. In Miscellaneous, Bombay-Burma Trading are Rs. 25 lower in the first issue, and Rs. 20 in the others. Bombay Flour Mill have advanced Rs. 20; and Delhi and Northern Rs. 5. Port Canning are Rs. 5 higher. Oriental Life have declined Rs. 10; and Treacher and Co. Rs. 24. John Roberts are Rs. 10 higher. Bank of Bombay shares have advanced Rs. 7 per share during the week.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—In consequence of the Import duty expected to come into operation at the beginning of the new year, dealers have endeavoured to secure higher prices, and, in the case of well-known makes of staple *Grey Goods* they have succeeded in obtaining some advance on last mail's quotations. Up-country buyers are now operating more freely; but they pause when higher prices are asked by settlers. Stocks remain the same as before. In *Bleached Turkey Red, Dyed,* and *Printed* Goods there has been an increased demand arising from up-country buyers showing their intention, of buying, and sending off at once all that they once get before the actual levy of the duty; the demand for higher rates by holders, has finally checked the enquiry. The week's Clearances of *Imported Goods* from the Bazaar this week has been about 4,100 packages; and of *Local Goods*, which are the same as before, about 2,100 bales.

YARNS.—Only a small business has been reported in *Imported Twist* this week, the market having been quiet and prices unchanged. Purchases of *Local Spinning* by one China firm, to the extent of about 3,000 bales of No. 16s, are reported, and demand has been good at the reduced rates. The week's Sales aggregate about 5,000 bales, and the market closed quiet at the following official quotations:—

Twist ...	...No. 6s Mule, As.	4 5-16	to	4 7-16 per lb.
" ...	... " 8s "	4 7-16	"	4¼ "
" ...	... " 10s "	4 5-8	"	4 7-8 "
" ...	... " 12s "	4⅜	"	5 "
" ...	... " 16s "	5¼	"	5⅜ "
" ...	... " 20s "	5 9-16	"	6 "
" ...	... " 24s "	5 7-8	"	6 3-16 "
" ...	... " 30s "	6⅛	"	7 "
" ...	... " 40s "	8¼	"	8¾ "

METALS.—A moderate business has been done in *Copper* this week at an advance of 4 annas per cwt. in a firm market. *Yellow Metal* is unchanged in value and prices are steady, business having been upon a moderate scale. *Iron* is quiet, and unchanged.

COAL.—This week only small and unimportant Sales have been reported; but ready Coal commands a good rate, say Rs. 19½ per ton for Powell's Duffryn, and Rs. 18 for Davison's West Hartley, the market closing firm. We quote alongside:—

Welsh Hartley	Rs. 16 per ton.	
West do.	" 18	"
Australian	" 16½	"
Powell's Duffryn	" 19	"
Cardiff	" 18½	"
Japan	nil.	

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—The market for this staple was steady at the close of last week, and with the exception of one day since, when the feeling became quiet, and prices gave way to the extent of Rs. 2 per candy the same tone has continued to prevail, while, upon the whole, a moderate business has been done in both directions. Exporters having been much more in the market on several days than previously. The reported transactions for shippers' account sum up about 4,500 bales, consisting chiefly of ready new Oomrawattee descriptions, and Bengal, but including some forward contracts for new Oomras for this month's delivery, Broach for March delivery, and Bhownugger, for May; while the Mills have bought some 6,500 bales, made up of ready new Oomra kinds, and Bengal, and old Oomras, Dholleras-Bhownugger, Dharwar, and Compta. This evening, the market closed steady with prices Rs. 2 per candy lower than they were a week ago.

The Receipts of Cotton of the new crop into Bombay during the past week have been 18,500 bales, compared with 17,000 bales arrived in the week preceding, and 30,300 bales in the corresponding week last year; the falling-off in receipts of our Cotton this season, as against last, being now 53,500 bales.

The official telegrams from the districts received on Monday morning reported further rain at Agra, Delhi, and Beawar, in the Bengal circle, nearly three inches having been registered at Delhi, since last Thursday morning. On Monday, however, it had become bright again, with no sign of further rain in any of the districts of this circle, excepting Beawar where it was still cloudy. There had been no more rain in any other part of the Cotton area, though, in some districts of the Oomrawattee circle, and at Veerumgaum and Dholleras, in the Dhollera circle, the weather was cloudy and unseasonable. At Broach the plants were flourishing, and continued to show more improvement.

The weather and crop telegrams to hand yesterday morning reported no more rain over any portion of the Cotton area; though in one or two districts of the Bengal, Oomrawattees, and Dhollera circles, the weather was cloudy and unseasonable, otherwise there was no change in the position of the crop, the estimate of which, in the Oomrawattee district of the Oomra circle, was 50 per cent. only.

The following are to-day's quotations for fully-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool, *via* Canal, with o commission, viz.:—

Cotton—	Per candy	C. & F.
Bengal Fine January	Rs.	157–2 5-8
Do. F. G.	"	140–2 3-8
Do. Good	"	131–2 7-8
Bolatee, Fine	"	161–2 11-16
Do. Fully Good	"	151–2 17-32
Khandeish, Fully Good, January	"	154–2 9-16
Oomra F. Good, January and Feb.	"	156–2 5-8
Dhollera, Fine, April	"	171–2 7-8
Do. F. G.	"	161–2 11-16
Do. Good	"	154–2 19-32
S G Dharwar, Good, May	"	167–2 13-16
Westerns " June	"	161–2 23-32
Broach Fine " March	"	151–3 3-32
Do. Good	"	179–31

The arrivals of New Crop Cotton into Bombay this season, as compared with last, are as follows:—

	Season. 1894-95.	Season. 1893-94.
	F. P. Bales.	F. P. Bales.
Bengals	12,000	40,600
Berar	24,000	34,200
Khandeish	22,500	36,500
Hinganghat	.....	700
Total	58,500	112,000

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1894. Bales.	1893. Bales.	1892. Bales.
For the week	22,231	31,540	39,324
From 1st January to 20th Dec	1,647,693	1,794,157	1,769,930
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the week	749	3,976	7,752
From 1st January to 20th Dec	785,839	840,387	927,590
Clearances to Calcutta, China, &c.			
For the week	1,346	4,793	2,920
From 1st January to 20th Dec	157,705	190,917	167,237

WHEAT.—In the earlier part of this week the market for this staple became firm, and a moderate business for shippers' account was reported; but otherwise the feeling has been steady at previous rates, and transactions from day to day have been upon the usual small scale. We quote:—

White Pessy, 91 per cent.	Rs.	3 15	0	"
Do. 85 "	"	3 13	0	"
No. 1 Club Delhi	"	3 14	0	"
Red Delhi	"	3 6	0	"
Hard Yellow	"	3 11	0	"
Red Ahmedabad	"	3 7	0	"
Hard Red	"	3 5	0	"

SEEDS have been taken daily for export to a moderate extent, and the tone of the market has been steady throughout the week, the only movement in prices having been in the case of Linseed which has advanced slightly in value. We quote this evening:—

Linseed	Rs. 8-0-6	to Rs. 8-2-0	per cwt.	
Rapeseed, Yellow Gaserat	" 6-8-0	to " 6-9-0	"	
Do. do. Cawnpore	" 6-2-0	to " 6-5-0	"	
Do. Red do.	" 5-13-0	to " 6-2-0	"	
Gingelly, White	" 41-8-0		"	
Do. Mixed	" 39-8-0		"	

The Comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	1894. cwts.	1893. cwts.	1892. cwts.
Wheat for the week	53,700	158,183	135,724
Do. from 1st Jan. to December	3,556,437	6,332,305	10,237,673
Linseed for the week	20,527	52,234	33,230
Do. from 1st Jan. to 20th December	5,317,224	4,345,708	3,880,713
Rapeseed for the week	27,497	37,308	20,611
Do. from 1st Jan. to 20th December	3,425,664	4,304,933	1,833,041
Gingellyseed for the week	94,637	84,341	80,631
Do. from 1st Jan. to 20th December	1,304,797	1,616,060	1,414,727

The Clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	1894. cwts.	1893. cwts.	1892. cwts
Wheat for the week	2,000	33,812	92,388
Do. from 1st Jan. to 20th December	1,557,043	4,033,314	9,237,415
Linseed for the week	33,760	7,900	33,769
Do. from 1st Jan. to 20th December	5,346,539	4,265,292	3,719,455
Rapeseed for the week	65,668	23,035	24,535
Do. from 1st Jan. to 20th December	3,299,982	4,230,079	1,693,239
Gingellyseed for the week	23,900	17,931	46,530
Do. from 1st Jan. to 20th December	1,052,706	1,470,532	1,105,255

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed quiet. Surat: flat,

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TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

LONDON, Dec. 21.

The *Times* in referring to the state of affairs in British East Africa, regrets the delay which is taking place in settling the claims of the British East Africa Company, which, it says, should not be treated grudgingly, but, under any circumstances, the British Government should build forthwith a railway connecting the coast with Uganda.

COTTON DUTIES IN RUSSIA.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20.

The Russian Government has sanctioned an increase in the import duty on cotton.

CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

SENSATIONAL SCORING AND CLOSE VICTORY.

SYDNEY, Dec. 21.

The first of the cricket matches between Mr. Stoddart's team and All Australia was concluded yesterday. The attendance and enthusiasm were great, and a sensational struggle resulted in the victory of Mr. Stoddart's Eleven by ten runs.

All Australia won the toss, and in their first innings put together five hundred and eighty-six runs, Mr. Stoddart's team replying with three hundred and twenty-five, which necessitated a follow-on. In their second attempt the English team compiled four hundred and thirty-seven runs. The Australians then went in again, but were only able to obtain one hundred and sixty-six runs, thus, amidst the greatest excitement of an enormous crowd of spectators, leaving the English team winners by only ten runs.

The match lasted six days.

THE FELLAHEEN IN EGYPT AND THE BRITISH OCCUPATION.

CAIRO, Dec. 21.

The Budget Report of the Egyptian Legislative Council demands that £1,000,000 should be set aside for the reduction of land tax, and protests against the presence of the British Army of Occupation.

THE SAMOA QUESTION.

ANTI-BRITISH CRUSADE IN GERMANY.

BERLIN, Dec. 21.

The Colonial Party in Germany is preparing an anti-British crusade concerning Samoa, where the press is demanding a German protectorate.

THE MAILS.

ADEN, Dec. 20.

The P. and O. Company's s. s. Ganges, with the homeward Indian mails of the 15th instant, arrived here at 4 p.m., to-day.

THE AFGHAN BOUNDARY MISSION.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 21.

The Afghan Boundary Mission reached Asmar, on the 16th instant, where the Afghan Commander-in-Chief has encamped with six thousand troops. A review was to have been held on the 18th instant in honour of the visitors. The survey work commences at once. It is reported that the Mohmands intend opposing the survey proceedings towards the east of the river, but no serious difficulty is anticipated.

THE COTTON DUTIES.

The Upper India Chamber of Commerce, at a general meeting, held yesterday, passed resolutions protesting against the proposed excise duty on yarn as being abortive as a means of revenue and harassing and hurtful to the Indian industries, and valueless to Manchester; that the regulations regarding the imports from Native States and foreign territory are inspectionless; and that in the opinion of the Chamber the Home Secretary's decision simply constitutes an attempt on the part of the Parliamentary party in power to conciliate comparatively a few English electors at the expense of millions of their non-enfranchised fellow-subjects; and that Section 10 of the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, should be embodied in the proposed Cotton Duties Act of 1894.

THE WAZIRISTAN EXPEDITION.

Sir William Lockhart, with General Symons' Brigade, was half-way to Makin on Wednesday. Only a few shots were fired. Barari Tangi was found unoccupied. Rumours are current that the Mahsuds intend showing fight at Doti. At Wano they were met with no opposition, but Mullah Powinda is said to be preparing for a stubborn resistance.

THE FIELD FORCE.

A formal notification is gazetted, containing the full particulars of the recently published list of Officers of the various Brigades and columns to constitute the Waziristan Field Force. All subsidiary orders regarding, the equipment of transport, provisons, &c., of the force, will be issued under instructions of the Commander-in-Chief in India.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 21.

Sir William Lockhart, with the Jandola Brigade, reached Jingal, 9½ miles from Makin, to-day. The rear guard had to disperse some Waziris hanging on to their flanks, otherwise no opposition was experienced. The baggage, transport, and escort of the party, coming up from Jandola to Swumaup Kach, were fired on, four camels being killed and others wounded. A force moves to-morrow to Makin, which is reported to have been evacuated.

THE ORDER OF THE BATH.

A considerable number of Indian Military Officers will, in the coming New Year's list, receive the Order of the Bath.

THE AMIR'S EXPECTED VISIT TO ENGLAND.

Favourable letters were received from Kabul this morning. A definite answer as to whether the Amir or his son will visit England may now be expected very shortly.

THE VICEROY AND THE MAHARAJAH OF MYSORE.

The Viceroy returned the visit of the Maharajah of Mysore this afternoon, accompanied by his bodyguard and under the usual salute.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Dec. 21.

H. E. the Commander-in-Chief has been pleased to make the following appointments :—

1st Bombay Grenadiers.—Lieutenant Rolland, Wing Officer and officiating Adjutant, to be Adjutant with effect from the 10th March, vice Captain Houghton, vacated on promotion.

Surgeon-Lieutenant Moore to officiate in medical charge, until relieved by Surgeon-Captain Street on arrival of the regiment in the Quetta District, or until further orders.

2nd Bombay Grenadiers.—Lieutenant Lloyd, Wing Officer and officiating Adjutant to be Adjutant with effect from the 3rd October, 1894, vice Lieutenant Edwards vacated.

20th Bombay Infantry.—Surgeon-Lieutenant Bennett, to officiate in medical charge during the absence of Surgeon-Major Macgregor on leave, or until further orders.

21st Bombay Infantry.—Captain Mitchell, Wing Officer, 14th Bombay Infantry, to be Wing Commander, vice Captain Gray, deceased.

Surgeon-Lieutenant Johnston is transferred from general duty, Poona District, to general duty, Sind District.

Under instructions received from Army Headquarters, India, it is notified that Captain Brook Smith, No. 16 Company Southern Division R. A., is appointed Instructor in Gunnery at Aden, vice Captain Bryant, resigned.

The undermentioned Officer is reported as having qualified for employment in the Army Transport Branch of the Commissariat Transport Department :—Lieutenant Grace, 5th Bombay Infantry.

The undermentioned Officer has been granted leave of absence by his Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief :—

2nd Battalion Middlesex Regiment—2nd-Lieutenant Wake to remain in England from 30th November to 8th February, on medical certificate, on extension leave.

The undermentioned officers have been granted leave of absence :—

10th Bombay Infantry.—Lieutenant-Colonel Heath, (Staff Corps) in India, for four months, from date of departure.

Indian Medical Service.—Surgeon-Lieutenant Burnett, to Calcutta, for one month, from the date of departure.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 21.

The three additional members of the Legislative Council, recently appointed to the Viceroy's Council, are gazetted.

Mr. E. Irwin, Political Agent, Jhallawar, has been granted two years' furlough.

Surgeon-Major Pauk, Residency Surgeon, officiated, *vice* Colonel Wylie, at Meywar.

Mr. W. Jardine has been appointed Assistant Secretary to the Berars.

Financial Department—Messrs. Chunilal and Battacharya have been granted privilege leave.

Public Works Department—Mr. H. Wathen is transferred to the Engineers' Establishment, State Railways.

Telegraph Department—Messrs. H. Styan and O. Burne, Superintendents, revert from Class V., second grade, to Class VI., second grade.

Surgeon-Colonel Harvey has been granted eight months' furlough to England.

Mr. Stowell has been admitted to the Traffic Department of the State Railways.

The Director-General of Railways resumes charge of his office on Wednesday. His report on railways in Burma is generally favourable.

Mr. Braddon, Examiner Public Works Accounts, joins the head-quarters on Saturday next.

Mr. F. Fryer, Financial Commissioner, Punjab, has been appointed additional member of the Viceroy's Council.

Mr. H. Doyly, Assistant Superintendent, and Justice Trevelyan, Judge, High Court, granted eight months' and five days' furlough.

Owing to Mr. Mackee, Conservator of Forests, having assumed charge of his appointment, Mr. Manikin reverts to his former appointment.

Captain Chenevix-Trench is appointed Political Assistant, first class.

Captain Godfrey is posted as Assistant to the British Agent at Gilgit.

Captain Donne has been appointed station Staff Officer, vice Major Dick Cunningham.

Colonel Pennington has been appointed to be General in command of the district, vice Major-General Graham.

Lieutenant A. Dallas has been appointed Deputy Assistant Commissary General.

General leave has been granted to Captain F. Campbell for one year.

The following Staff Corps Officers have been made Captains :—Lieutenants E. Cole, A. Shaw, and E. Cooper; to be Lieutenant—Second-Lieutenant R. Hall.

BARODA COMMISSION-OF-ENQUIRY.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

BARODA, Dec. 21.

On Wednesday the pleader for the defence brought to the court's notice the telegram published in the Bombay papers attributing to the court a remark that certain statements in Bapat's defence about the non-production of official papers were reckless. The Commission observed that they never used the word or made the remark. The reading of the written defence continues, and will be completed on Monday. It consists of nearly one thousand foolscap pages, and is divided into three parts. The first part gives the origin and history of this enquiry and the general remarks on evidence, oral and documentary, and how it was collected by arrests, suspensions, indemnities, etc. It also critically analyses Girdhar's accounts, and shows that they are false and falsely construed, and that ralliat's khata therein must have been fabricated between July and September 1894. Bapat's pecuniary position is then examined, and his savings are shown to be not disproportionate to his official income. The second treats of the individual cases, and shows at great length that they are inconsistent, improbable, and false. In the first or Zengad case the defence urges that the alleged agent, through whom the bribe is said to be negotiated in Baroda was not in Baroda at all, but on police duty outside, as he was then a jemadar in the police. In the Tilkeshwar case the alleged payment is made some months before the case was thought of; in the Vyaseshwar case the removal of the karkun for which money is alleged to be paid is shown to be made in regular official course; in the Visnu case the draft petition, said to be in Bapat's hand, is examined at length, and is shown to be a forgery; in the musjid case the defence relies upon the improbability and ordinary course of official routine; in the Chipad case Bapat was away in Poona, when notices were issued, and the order alleged to be suppressed made; in the Dharnoj case the Mobant, for whom money is said to have been paid, does not come forward, nor his books show any payment; in the Kamliwada case there is entire want of corroboration; in the Sitasharan case the entry of payment is made on a separate page in a small book with many blank pages, and it is urged that it is fabricated, and the bribe-giver is again shown to be not in the possession of the required Sicca amount; in the Vekras case there is no proof of purchase of gold, and startling discrepancies in the charge and proof even regarding the years of alleged payment. The Kanosra and Gaja cases will be read to-morrow, and then the third part containing general observations on all cases.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Clyde, Captain C. F. Preston, will sail to-day for London, Brindisi and Aden, with the English Mails and the following passengers :—

FOR LONDON.

Bridge, Mr S
Burn Murdoch, Major
Caddy, Mr J
Dickson, Mr
Farlow, Mr W H
Grey, Col H
Grey, Mr and Miss
Lewis Westmacott, Mr
Lucas, Mr W H
Rodge, Capt P R
Stace, Col

FOR BRINDISI.

Basil Scott, Mr
Craig, Mr H R
Cranlock, Lieut J M S
Gourlay, Mr
Livens, Mr
Manser, Dr
Miller, Col and Mrs
Renny, Major A M
Sheaner, Mr W
Wanchy, Mr H
Wright, Mr W

FOR ADEN.—Sullivan, Mrs O.

The following passages have been engaged :—

Per s s Oriental, Capt S Seymour, 29th December 1894.
For London—Mr Scott; Mr Armstrong; Miss Kwbank; Mrs Walker; Miss Gurney; Mr and Mrs S Russell and inft; Mr C L Lupper; and Mrs Creagh.
For Brindisi—Capt E De Broth.
For Ismailia—Mr Elmore; Col C E Hallett; and Mr J Caldecott.

Per s s Caledonia, Capt W B Andrews, 12th January, 1895.
For Marseilles—Mrs Muir, inft and maid; Mr E Hosking; Mr E O Manning; Mr F E Robertson; Genl A L Playfair; Mr H J Monsey; Mr Clunn; Mr Seymour Keay, M P; Mr H C Richards and four friends; Mrs Fremantle and inft; Miss Cholmely; Mr W H Moss; Mrs W P Moon, infant and nurse; Mr James; Mr G E Part; Mr and Mrs Sutton and inft; and Miss Forbes and 2 children.
For Brindisi—Lord and Wm Beresford; Mr Wm Holmes; and Mr and Mrs J S Johnstone.

Per s s Thames, Capt W A Seaton, 2nd March, 1895.
For London—Mrs S Hodgson; Miss J Sinclair; Mrs J Paxton; Mr Brittain's Assistant; Mr H P Fotheringham Smith; and Mr G Ronaldson.

Per s s Tanjore, Capt W J Saulez, 9th March, 1895.
For London—Mrs Smyth and child; Miss Smith; Rev and Mrs J G Hawker; 2 Misses Hawker; Mr A H Crofts; Mr F R Buchanan; Mr and Mrs Hanson and child; Mrs E V Bellers 2 infts; Mr G R Irwin; Rev and Mrs C A Mason; Mrs Prior, child and inft; Mrs Lake and child; Mrs McGavin and second infant; Miss Small; Mrs A M Walker and Sister; Mr Whitney; Mrs F C Anderson and child; Mrs Seaman and 2 children; Mr Gunliffe; Miss Cunliffe; Mr and Mrs W Maxwell Maynard; Miss Sophia Mary; Miss Wright; M C Hulton; Miss Brunker; and Mr A Reiss.
For s s Clyde, Capt H T Weighell, 16th March, 1895.
For London—Mr and Mrs J S McNeill and child; and Mr Hangor.

Per s s Caledonia, Capt W B Andrews, 23rd March, 1895.
For Marseilles—Mr and Mrs J B Alcock, child, nurse and inft; Mr and Mrs L Marshall; Mr G Leslie Smith; Mr and Mrs A J Kerr; Mrs Earley-Wilmot and inft; Miss Ferard; Mrs Cunningham, child, infant and nurse; Mrs Harris; Mr H Morgan Brown; Mr Earle; Miss Earle; Miss Johnson; Mr and Mrs A S Thomson and inft; Mrs C S Martindale and 2 infts; Mrs Westbrook; Miss Worsfold; Mr F Hutchinson; Mrs Hutchinson; Mr Adam and child; Mr and Mrs Campbell and maid; Col G H Trevor; Miss A H V Jephson; Mr Tremearne; Major and Mrs R W Maxwell and 2 children; Miss Sharp, Mr J F Arms; Mr and Mrs A Barker; Mr W G Jackson; Mr and Mrs Stevenson; Mr E Mair and 2 children; Mrs Verschoyle; Rev and Mrs Armstrong and 3 children; Mr and Mrs C Tuson and 2 infts; Miss M A Morgenson; Mrs T N Singh; Mrs Singh; Miss Singh; Mr Allikhan; Mr V Green; Mrs F A Swaine and child; Mr and Mrs S Comfort; Mrs G Ledford, child and nurse; Mr H J Blair; Mr and Mrs G M Chesney and child; Mr J J Archer; Mr Goodwin; Mr Dean Paul; Mr and Mrs Aldam; Mr H W J Hill; Mrs Haig and 2 children; Mrs Hodges; Mrs Humphries; Capt H Hughes; Mrs Hughes nurse and 3 children; Mr and Miss Mindan Wilson; Miss A M Wilson; Mr and Mrs Boyd Veech; Mrs Poole; Mrs A Wingate infant and ayah; Mrs Rhoden and maid; Mr and Mrs G Collingridge and child; Mrs Peak and child and nurse; Mr and Mrs H Nelson; Mr and Mrs Arthur and child; Mr and Mrs W H Ratigan; Mrs E Rayner; Mrs A Atkinson; Col R W Sawyer; Miss Stove Molyneux; Mrs A P Westlake; Mr and Mrs Lachlan Macdonald; Mrs and Miss Darrah; Mr W Butler; Mrs Sydney Jones; Miss Bayley; Miss Golbock; Bishop J M Thoburn; Mrs Stock; Miss J R Hopkins; Mrs Dolman and maid; Mr T L Prescott; Mr and Mrs F C Kennedy; Mr and Mrs A Strachey and maid; Miss Bishop; Mrs Bicol; Mrs A Martindale, child, inft and ayah; and Mrs Acher Chapman, child and governess.
For Brindisi—Mr A W Watt; and Mr A Rogers.

Per s s Thames, Capt W A Seaton, 30th March, 1895.
For London—Mr and Mrs E Vander Straaten.
For Brindisi—Mr R Botelee.

Per s s Thames, Capt W A Seaton, 6th April, 1895.
For London—Miss Ward; Col and Mrs J R Marvot; Misses Marrett; Mr and Mrs J C G Hyson; Mr and Mrs Mor and child; Mrs Bignell and infant; Mr H W Bush; Miss Clave Purvis; Miss Pryse; Mr F E Pattison; Mr and Mrs J Boon and 2 children; Mrs A Mackie, 2 children and nurse; Mrs H Lockstedt, 3 children and governess; Mr and Mrs J Lynde and child; Mrs R H L Hawkins; Mrs Mair and inft; Mrs Lampon; Mr G H B Johnston; Mr J Macpherson; Mr and Mrs H Lodgard and child; Mrs Greenwood and child; Miss Swift; Mr Mark Jones; Mr and Mrs Ourry; Mrs Steel, child and inft; Mr and Mrs Dick and child; Surg-Capt and Mrs Bignell and 3 infts; Miss J S Mole; Mr C W Shaw; Mr E H Hudson; Mr L B Sampson; Mr and Mrs Hamilton; Mrs C F Evans and 2 children; Surg-Maj-Genl W E Rice, Mr M W Litton; Lieut-Col A Broadfoot, C B; Revd and Mrs J F Gardner; Mr H B Finlay; and Mrs and Miss Inglis.
For Brindisi—Mr and Mrs Hugh Beech.

NOTES FROM LONDON.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

"The Indiscretion of the Duchess," by Anthony Hope, is a witty and fascinating thing in Shilling Shockery. Perhaps it is hardly correct to describe it as a shocker, Arrowsmith calls it his Christmas Annual, though he gets it up in the captivating guise of the literature that one reads with an apology or by stealth. In the public mind there is all the difference in the world between the "shocker" and the "annual." The one, attractive to the eye on a railway stall, is at the same time small enough to be concealed readily about the person or under the sofa pillow, while the other is of an appearance and tone to take its place in all booksellers' shops, and on all drawing-room tables.

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Again the "Annual" offers a refined if blood-curdling literature combined with the cheap artistic beauty of illustration manufactured in Germany; while the "shocker" not only acts on our nerves and morals, but also shocks our literary feelings, and all of the æsthetic sense that is left undemoralized by the pictorial horrors of the paper bound 2s. novel. In this extrinsic way Anthony Hope's story is really a "shocker." On the cover a burly boy Cupid, of most outrageous drawing, plays at making arrows in a smith's forge, while Mr. Hope in miniature looks on unconcerned—the whole conception, pun, portrait, and printing being equally horrid.

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But the matter inside the cover is excellent. The title which is so delicately suggestive of riskiness is an index to the quality of the book. The Duchess is delightfully, absurdly, audaciously indiscreet. So is her rival. They unconsciously compete in their recklessness of social conventionality. But they stop short at being really naughty; so that Mr. Anthony Hope accomplishes the uncommon feat of writing a "shocker" that is shocking but not scandalous—an annual that is not the less amusing, because it is refined enough for particular people.

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Pioneering and roughing it are synonymous in most people's minds. But the Pioneers' New Home or Club, at 22, Bruton Street, Grosvenor Square, has even less of the wigwam or the log hut than heretofore. It takes a fresh and progressive note of admiration—gorgeous, luxurious, magnificent, palatial, to express the grandeur of Pioneer Club Life as it appears to the ascetically trained journalistic eye, as step by step up the picturesque staircase one is introduced to the various pleasant things prepared for Pioneers who keep their rules and pay their annual two guineas.

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In the entrance hall of the fine old house bought by Mrs. Massingberd, the president, (one might almost say proprietor, she has sunk so much money in it) from a lord who needed money more than a magnificent town mansion, a plump rubicond porter, rigged out in an undescribably splendid livery of green and gold, which suggests the frog or lizard footmen of a fairy tale, ushers the visitor into the general rooms, or if there is a discussion or a reception, waves them with an eloquent turn of the hand to the drawing-room upstairs. Sometimes the programme is tea and talk. Then you will see Mrs. Mammington Caffyn of "Yellow Aster" fame, a middle-aged intellectual looking woman, smartly but picturesquely dressed in brown with a band of steel ornament across the front of her coif bonnet—being sot upon by interviewers eager to hear her views on any thing from politics to prawns.

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Or you may hear Sarah Grand discussing, before a feminine audience only, for man the demoralizer is not always admitted—some question supposed to be intrinsically woman's. Or if there is no literary lioness on view, there may be some social celebrity. Viscountess Harberton of rational costume notoriety is often there, but not visibly exemplifying in her clothing the belief that is in her in the beauty and fitness of ladies' bags on breeches. Or Mrs. Paul King an authority on China—the country not the crockery—explaining the difficulties of the China-Japan situation or the States of Russia. It is a meeting ground for all sorts and conditions of women, and for one condition of men—the thoroughly well subdued.

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As interesting as any of her fellow pioneers or visitors, Mrs. Massingberd is usually to be seen at the general receptions and meetings; sometimes supported by her triplet of pretty daughters, whom she has brought up with perfectly independent views as in her eyes befits woman. When her girls came of age she gave them their money, and an establishment of their own, the same as if they had been men. They live together still, their young brother who has just come of age, residing also in the girls' home, while their mother lives *en garcon* at the Club. Soon the two younger daughters take their departure for separate homes of their own. They are engaged to two brothers, army men and Irishmen from Wicklow, who have had the good fortune to be chosen by these fascinating, formidable young pioneers.

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Mrs. Massingberd is a decidedly striking personality. Her interesting face, clear blue eyes, firm jaw, which Mrs. Jopling Rowe has cleverly painted for a panel over the mantel-piece in the dining-room tells her character plainly. Earnest, decided, and masterful, she is yet not without her enthusiasms—weaknesses. She clips her hair and curtails her clothes with the idea of cutting off feminine vanity—for all that she and her fellow pioneers are intensely, but innocently vain. See them pose with legs crossed and hands in pockets, sucking a quill or rolling a cigarette.

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They act just as a child acts when it calls attention with bravado to what it has done "See how naughty I am." I am not afraid of showing my ankles, or spoiling my figure in spite of the conventionalities. All very well, sister pioneers—but attitude or clipped polls will not make a man of a woman.

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Then listen to their radical cry. They would revolutionize and reform everything. Social distinctions must be levelled so each pioneer is called by number, that the duchess may not look down on the type writer or *vice-versa*. But are there no other ways than by name that the snob can distinguish social position, or the toady discover rank or money. Until Mrs. Massingberd breeds a new race of women she will not attain to that perfect equality of membership that is her ideal.

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However it is all delightful—this scheme of a new, exalted, independent, socialistic commonwealth of womankind, talking asceticism in rooms panelled with yellow silk brocade, lighted by sparkling electricity and cushioned and carpeted like an Eastern dream. And it is specially refreshing to listen to sermons on the uprising of the masses and the dignity of the labouring man, while all the time their respectable hall porter to maintain the dignity of his office is obliged to wear a costume like a barrel organ monkey.

PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to us:—The undersigned will travel in India for five years from the 1st January, 1895, in order to show the public the extreme need of a technical institute for the training of young men in different branches of engineering science theoretically and also practically. This will be a institute where three hundred pupils will be trained free, and according to funds each pupil will be allowed three hundred rupees per year for two years.

The proposed buildings for workshops and a library will cover an area of ten acres. Ground for the proposed institute has been already promised by a generous Indian Prince, in Central India, which will be about forty acres in all. Plants of the ground and buildings will be exhibited by his agents on completion.

The cost of the proposed buildings for the institute has been estimated with the machinery and library at about Rs. 2,00,000, which he hopes to collect through sale of tickets in different countries under Government and Native States, and also to be able to start the erection of buildings by the end of the year 1896.

He sincerely hopes that his efforts will be fruitful in establishing the proposed National Industrial Institute for the benefit of the Indian artisans of both sexes.

A fair will be held on the first Saturday of every month within the grounds of the institute, where samples of various goods of local manufacture (belonging to the members of the institute) will be exhibited, and also he will show the various uses of agricultural machinery, and whether it is suitable or not for farming in India. Also various other machinery used in manufacturing trades, which will prevent enterprising capitalists from risking their money.

He sincerely hopes that the public at large will undoubtedly patronise the proposed National Industrial Institute, which is greatly needed in India.

For the pupils of the female sex special arrangements have been made for their training in Industrial and Fine Arts and Music.

Intending members will kindly apply for tickets directly to the head office at Baroda, or to his agents, where tickets are sold at one rupee each. It will also be obligatory to pay a yearly subscription of four annas after holding a ticket of membership.

On the sale of every five thousand tickets a prize drawing will be held in which there will be three prizes, 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and the winners will be entitled to Rs. 300 each per annum for two years with free quarters and training in the institute in any one branch of engineering science and the remainder of the money will be utilized for the erection of the buildings of the proposed Industrial Institute, machinery, library, and the maintenance of the Institute. Until the whole of the capital has been collected there will be one hundred prize drawings of Rs. 5,000 each, and members are allowed to buy more than one tickets in any one of the prize drawings only, but if any member buys any tickets in any one of the succeeding prize drawings the ticket or tickets issued for the previous prize drawing which had entitled him to a membership of the Industrial Institute will be cancelled after the prize drawing has been drawn.

TABLE TALK.

[BY WALTER BESANT.]

LONDON, Nov. 23.

Let us, above all things, at this season of the year, enter into the spirit of the time and tell seasonable creepy stories. I have therefore dipped into the reminiscences of Cynebert the Northumbrian, which was subscribed to the trade at Eoforwic in the year A. D. 884. In this interesting though discursive work I find the following. They show how the Anglo-Saxons spent a winter evening.

"In the long winter evenings when candles, even the common dip, are beyond the means of any but the richest, save for occasional evenings, we commonly lie about among the rushes—thick rushes make a warm carpet and a tolerable bed—before the fire of wood, which is fed continually, so that now the flames spring up and the room breaks into light, and now the ashes lie quiet and our faces glow in the red light and warmth, while the room behind is full of shifting shadows and dim ghosts, and then we tell stories—stories of devils and fearful punishments and warnings and examples. One night, I remember—it was Christmas Eve—the rain came down the chimney and made the wood fire hiss; outside the narrow street was running like a river. 'But,' said Roger the Priest, who sat with us, 'Christ's nativity will be celebrated with clean streets newly washed.' Well, we began to tell stories, while the horn passed round. First, old Dame Richelda told how she had met Death himself by moonlight in the churchyard—Death dancing in the moonlight against the church wall. After her Roger told his tale. 'Twas told to me,' he said, 'by one Ethelbert, a man of Saxony across the sea—a godly man he was, and one who went about with a continual shaking and trembling of the limbs, and it much joyed him to sit down and rest, as if he were grievously weary.' And once Ethelbert disclosed to me the reason of this trembling. "One day, long ago," he said, "on Chrismas Eve I was in the churchyard in a loose company of three girls and fourteen youths. The priest, had begun the Mass, but we were dancing and singing profane songs, and paid no attention to the holy service. Wherefore, our voices drowning the voice of the priest, when he had in vain admonished us, he cursed us, saying, 'May it please God and St. Magnus that you may remain singing in that place for a whole year!' Then we found that we could not choose but sing and dance. The son of John the Priest tried to drag his sister out of the circle. He dragged so violently that her arm came off, but her body remained; and still she danced and sang. The rain fell not upon us; neither cold, nor heat, nor thirst, nor fatigue assailed us. Our clothes and shoes did not wear out. For a whole year we danced and sang without stopping. First we sank into the ground up to our knees, next to our thighs, and still we danced and still we sang, unceasing, by night and by day, with aching hearts. When a year had elapsed the Bishop set us free, and reconciled us before the altar of St. Magnus. The three girls died immediately; the rest of us slept for three days and three nights. Some died afterwards, and are famed for miracles, the rest bearing for the remainder of their lives a reminder of this signal punishment in the trembling of their limbs."

"This," said the Lady Elfleda, daughter of Duke Ceolwulf, "shows plainly the dangers of blasphemy and setting at nought the services of Holy Church. I will now relate a history showing the dangers—from which may the Saints protect us—of witchcraft. I have read the history in a fair book, so that it cannot but be true." The Lady Elfleda was as learned in Latin as she was accomplished in embroidery and fair needlework. "There were living in Rome not long ago—thank God they are now dead, and their abominable ashes are scattered—two old women, poor and of low estate, to whom the devil had taught many vile and wicked arts. Among them were certain powerful and irresistible charms by which they could convert those who passed before their house, or were induced to enter it, into animals, such as horse, ass, pig, or even lion and crocodile. And these unfortunate wretches thus transformed had to remain in that sorry condition until they could find an opportunity of plunging into running water. Now one day they invited a youth who got his livelihood by dancing into their hut, and then, by these arts diabolical, they turned him into an ass. This done, they publicly exhibited him in a show as the dancing ass; and you may imagine that the world had never before seen an ass with half so many tricks as this poor boy could perform with his hoofs. The report of the wonderful and accomplished animal caused a great concourse to assemble; among them a rich man, who offered to buy the beast for a large sum of money. The old women sold the ass to him with the warning that if he would preserve the animal he must keep him from running water. For a long time the victim of this magic was carefully watched so that he could not escape, but at length he found an opportunity to evade his watchers, and galloped off with all speed in search of running water. Coming to a stream, he plunged in and resumed his shape. The thing was related to Pope Leo—holiest of men—by whose orders the two women were arrested and examined. They confessed the fact—and, let us hope, were burned to ashes as an example and a terror."

After this we went on to tell other tales, all edifying and all proper to the season. We heard of King Edwin's vision, of the miracles of King Oswald's Cross, and then of that holy martyr's relics; of the dust of St. Chad; of the appearances of St. Etheldurga, with other histories. And, lastly, the priest related the horrific story of the woman of Barkeley, who was carried away by devils visible for all to see. The way of the relation was as follows: The woman was old, and she was dying; and she sent for her children and grandchildren and the priest, and said, "Lo! I am the most wicked of women, and I shall be carried by devils to the fiery pit." The Priest began to console her promising the rites of the Holy Church. But she would not be consoled, and remained fixed in her persuasion that she would be carried off by devils. And when the moment came when she must die, she enjoined upon her children that they should encompass her coffin with a triple chain and tie it to the pillar of the church. Which was done. But at midnight the devils came and broke open the door, and, in sight of the woman's children, tried to break the chain, but failed, and went away with loud and horrid imprecations. "The another and a stronger chain round me," cried the dying woman, "for one mightier cometh." This they did, and the next night, as they were again assembled in the church to watch, there rode up to the doors one who, by his kingly appearance, was far mightier than the others. And behold! He seized the coffin and the chain snapped like thread, and he dragged out the dead woman and laid her shrieking most pitifully across his horse, and so rode off in the darkness.

"You may be sure that when this story was finished we were all huddled up together—shivering. Meanwhile the rain had ceased, but the wind had risen, and the doors and windows were rattling and shaking as if of a verity, the devils were trying to get in. We listened in terror,—and the Priest made the sign of the Cross. But when the embers were raked together, and the earthen pot placed on them, and we arose to bed in the darkness, the rattling at the door was so great that everybody was quite sure it was the devil—and the maids fell shrieking into the arms of the men; and the men, to quiet their fears, began to kiss them, and the Lady Elfleda calling out "What manners are these?" ordered all to bed, and so the maids went off with her, and we men lay wrapped in woollen blankets on the rushes, and if it was the devil at the door he could not get in, being, I take it, afraid of Roger the Priest. And as for me, I slept till five in the morning."

Some months ago the *Voice* contained a series of letters supposed to have been written after the complete depopulation of the country districts. These letters drew down upon the head of him who writes the *Voice* a shower of hail and sleet and cold rain. Perhaps one would rather have cold showers of disagreement, driving hail of abuse, and the rains of doubt than indifference and silence. Thank you, Sir, your snowball was very near landing in the nape of the neck. Thank you, Madam, the snowball caught me under the left eyebrow. Yet still allow me to repeat, in spite of snowballs, that rural population decreases fast. Well, they have all had their little threw, and we are not much the worse, and we can go on. Fast is better than theory. I cut out of the paper some time ago a slip which contained some remarks made by Mr. Walter Long, M.P., well-known landowner, agriculturist, and authority on matters rural. I read in that slip—which escaped me for a time—that in a certain village called Chilterne the population twenty years ago was eight hundred; three years ago it was six hundred; and now it is four hundred and fifty. You may calculate for yourself how long it would take, at the same rate of decrease, to work off the whole population. But the rate will rapidly increase, because the forces at work are leaving the farms empty and deserted, when the labouring class *must* go.

There is an interesting little periodical which comes out once a month. It has always something worth reading and worth thinking over. It is the journal of the Charity Organisation Society. Among other things, it contains every month a list of 'cases' that are presented to the Committee in any one of all examined into by the C. O. S. officers, and all worthy of assistance. Considering how many stories of distress are presented to one, and how difficult it is to examine into them, would it not be wise to send every case direct to the nearest C. O. S. office for examination? And, further, since at this period of the year it is a laudable custom to give alms to those not so well off as ourselves, I would suggest that the C. O. S. list of "cases" should be first consulted before one sends off that cheque. In this way at least, dear reader, you will be able to gratify your charitable desires without doing any mischief at all. Suppose, for instance, you were to find out that you had sent a large donation to the begging letter writer whom I exposed a few weeks ago. Would it increase your Christmas joy to find that you had increased to Christmas potations of this poor but worthy gentleman? And that, believe me, is what you very likely will do if you give away blindly. What do you think is the sum total of the C. O. S. list of worthy cases? An average of about £200 a month—only £2,400 a year. Why, fifty people willing to give £50 a year each to the relief of real cases of distress—they are cases which want help, mind, not doles—a little league of fifty people giving £50 a year each would sweep the board. Only fifty people! Only fifty people wanted for so admirable an object in a country so rich as this!

I am very much obliged to all the correspondents who have writen to me on the subject of pulling the gown through the pockets. It is now perfectly clear even to my understanding how it was done, and why. The accompanying sketch, for which I thank the artist, makes the matter quite intelligible.

He is dead, then, the poor man whose life has been one long continued slow and painful descent. In his case there were no roses to gather, no garlands to wear, nor was the road broad and pleasant. The way was narrow and thorny; yet it was down hill—all the way it was down hill. It began when he was an undergraduate; he had the reputation of great wealth; he gave suppers on a noble scale of splendour; "wines" in which the lads ate enormous quantities of sweet things and fuddled themselves with loaded port. He was supposed to possess considerable abilities, and everybody said it was a pity he was so rich that there was no necessity for him to take honours—taking honours, as everybody knows, does not mean devotion to learning, but the desire to get one foot on the ladder. So he went out in the ordinary way. The next thing I heard was that he had taken orders. A year or two afterwards I met him, rather shabby and discontented. "You see," he said, "I got through all my money at Cambridge. Ah! What a splendid time I had! I dream it all over again. What a figure I cut!" I perceived that he was not only poor, but that his heart was not in his work. It was odd, too, that he should look back with pride on a career of vulgar extravagance, drunkenness, and profligacy, without any redeeming feature. I went home wondering how a man could possibly be engaged in Church work whose ideals were the spendthrift undergraduate sitting at the head of a supper table loaded with Punch and Bishop, the two favourite drinks of that time. Two or three years afterwards I met him again. The face had coarsened—it was growing coarse and heavy. He confided to me that he detested his profession, but that he had no other way of living. "And oh!" he said, "I think always of that glorious time at Cambridge. I wonder if I am still remembered. My college ought to be proud of me." Proud of him! This splendid career of his had become a kind of fetish. He was poor; he was doing badly in his profession; he was drinking secretly—yet not so secretly but it was known—and all he had to give him pride and dignity was the memory of the three years' debauchery. Wonderful! Next I heard that he had resigned his curacy. Darkness set in; for eight or nine years I heard nothing about him. Then, one cold wintry day in November, he called upon me. He had no great coat; he said he had no clothes except what he stood in; he had no money. I asked him why he had given up his curacy. He said something about drinking. If a tell-tale face tells the real truth, the charge was certainly true. He proceeded to tell me that he had received a little legacy on which he had lived. But it was all gone. When he went away he turned and said. "What a splendid time I had at Cambridge! I wonder if it is remembered there."

Three months afterwards he came again. Meantime he had gone the round of all his former friends and begged of each. This time he was a little ill disguised, and he gave me boastfully the full particulars of his term at Cambridge. "What a splendid time it was!" Here was a man who for fifteen years was a working parish clergyman, and who dwelt with regret every day upon the memory of that short, extravagant, and profligate time. I saw him no more, but in the *Times* a few weeks later there was an announcement—"In London, of pneumonia, the Rev. A. B., aged 55." It was in a hospital, after his last drinking bout that he ended his miserable days.

["An old man, tired with waiting to see the funeral procession, lay down in a field to sleep, and was frozen to death."—Recorded in the *Daily Telegraph* of Nov. 12]

Miles upon miles they walk, a quiet throng
Tramping in patience through the long dark night,
With purpose set to view a wondrous sight—
The awful train of blackness glide along.

In thousands come they, caring naught for pain
Or weariness, or storm, or icy blast;
'To see the "Great White Czar" borne slowly past
Surges the human tide across the plain.

All Russia pours her heart into the pray'r
Which Moscow sends to Heav'n with incense cloud
For him who journeys in his splendid shroud
To meet, once more, his people gather'd there.

Gather'd in

NEWS OF THE DAY.

We are glad to state that a correspondent's report regarding Mr. J. L. Denniston, C.S., District and Sessions Judge at Mirzapur, was incorrect. He has made a good recovery and is now out of danger.

The additional revenue which the Government of India expects to receive from the import duty on cotton goods is rather more than 130 lakhs a year. Owing, however, to the heavy shipments recently received, this estimate is likely to be somewhat over the mark for the coming year.

Out of thirteen candidates who recently went in for a competitive examination for three appointments in the Superior Accounts Branch in the Public Works Department, eleven obtained qualifying marks. The successful candidates were Messrs. S. C. Bonnline, W. English, and G. B. Goyder.

Some time ago the Burma Government asked for a considerable increase in the ranks of the Burma Commission. It was proposed that its strength should be raised from 140 to 160, the Local Government considering that at least an increase of twenty, distributed among the various grades, was necessary for the growing needs of the province. The Government of India have now decided to sanction an increase of six, all in the lowest rank of Assistant Commissioners.

His many friends will be glad to hear that Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Geoffrey Hall has just successfully passed for a Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons in England. This is, of course, the highest honour that can be obtained in surgery, and probably after eighteen years of jail work in India few men would attempt to win it. To show the nature of the test, two-thirds of the candidates for the first examination were ploughed, and half the number who went up for the second.

During the first eight months of the current official year, there was a great falling off in receipts of unwrought copper into Calcutta. As compared with 1893-94, the decrease has amounted to over fifty per cent. In the previous year imports were slightly above the average of the past five years, but a large quantity went to replenish the depleted stocks of 1892-93. From all copper-producing countries the decline is noticeable. The import duty now chargeable on copper has, no doubt, adversely affected the trade, and consumers will work off existing supplies before importing to any large extent. There are, of course, other causes for the contraction. Japan has been the chief supplier of copper to Calcutta, and the war has greatly impeded the trade. The Japanese Government is said to be taking up all supplies for its own use, and work at the mines has been seriously interfered with by the scarcity of gunpowder and dynamite for blasting purposes. The labour supply has also suffered from the demand for troops.

Acting at the direct request of the Nepaulese Government, which is distinctly opposed to the emigration of Ghurkas from India, the Government of India has recently issued rules that contractors are to hold their licenses on the express understanding that they do not contract Nepaulese inhabitants for emigration purposes.

The Madras Government has decided to raise the standard of fees levisable in Colleges under public management, with effect from the 1st of January, 1896. For the M.A. course the fee will be raised from Rs. 20 to Rs. 24; for the whole B.A. course from Rs. 36 to Rs. 42; for the B.L. course in languages from Rs. 18 to Rs. 21; and for the F. A. course from Rs. 30 to Rs. 34. Other fees throughout, including the fees in Primary and Secondary schools, will remain unchanged.

A very curious discovery is reported from Sasaur, a station on the loop line of the E. I. R., five miles east of Bhagalpur. Immediately after a shower of rain the fields around, far and wide, are covered with fragments of precious stones. Many are beautifully polished, and most of them are pierced, evidently for necklaces. Some are enamelled in bands and circles; and in size they vary from minute pebbles to spheres of an inch in diameter. The material is equally diverse—rock crystal, amethyst, cornelian, and jasper, garnet, spinel and agates are represented, and the workmanship shows a high degree of skill in dealing with intractable material. Many of the fragments are clearly half-finished work, and would lead to the hypothesis of the sudden destruction of a great centre of population by flood or some other catastrophe. Sasaur is in deep alluvial soil, near the old bed of the Ganges, and there are no rock formations within ten miles. There are vague traditions among the people of some Mahomedan dynasty which is supposed to have reigned here with splendour two centuries ago, but history is entirely silent on this point, and no coins or even mounds remain to support such a theory. A collection of the beads and fragments has been placed by Mr. F. H. Skrine, C.S., Magistrate and Collector of Bhagalpur, in the hands of Mr. Hoernle, of the Calcutta Madrisi, who has promised to lay them before the Asiatic Society at its next meeting.

Two of the most desirable posts under the forthcoming army scheme will be those of Adjutant-generals of the new commands in the Punjab and Bengal. Sir George White has as yet shown no sign as to the selections he intends to make either for these or any other important posts, but we shall not be surprised to hear that Colonel Elles, Deputy Quartermaster-General, has been chosen for the Northern Army, while Colonel Nicholson, R.E., late Military Secretary to Lord Roberts, is mentioned as being well in the running for the Bengal appointment.

The meeting of the Legislative Council on Monday last, says a contemporary, was marked by the absence of several members, some of whom have not yet arrived in Calcutta, and others whose terms of office have expired. Prominent among the latter were Sir Griffith Evans and Dr. Rash Behary Ghose, whose terms expired on the 16th and 8th instant respectively. Both were men keen and ready in debate, swift to seize points and use them to the best advantage, who never or rarely had recourse to written speeches, which are so difficult to follow and "assimilate," when read rapidly, as the Council speeches usually are. They will be a great loss to the debating power of the Council as well as to the independent non-official element in it, and their places will be difficult to supply.

The Cawnpore Municipality have entered on a conflict in which they are pretty certain to be worsted. A reprimand which the Commissioner of the Division addressed to the Municipality is certainly of the sharpest; but on the other hand the Board had plainly set itself deliberately to the work of petty obstruction and irritation. There must be a limit, remarks the Allahabad paper, to the patience even of the guardians charged with the care of that fractious minor Local Self-Government. The water-works and sewage-works at Cawnpore have cost lakhs of rupees, and yet we find the Municipal Board declining to sanction at the request of the Resident Engineer an expenditure of Rs. 100 a month on flushing drains. In the same spirit of obstruction the majority refused to place the sweeper establishment of one of the sewers under the engineer's control, to connect the engineer's house with the telephone exchange, and to appoint a darogha on Rs. 12 a month who-engineer found that he required. It is desirable that the Resident ... the ensuing official who can get ... is no doubt is no reason ... engineer should be an exist... ...ong with the Board, but there ... ...ar for believing that the friction now ... is the fault of the present occupant of the post; and plainly the method the Board has taken is the least likely to promote harmony. There is, on the other hand, one point mentioned by Mr. Wishart in his remarks, which seems to want clearing up. He states that neither the plans nor the estimates for the engine and boiler houses and drivers' quarters at the receiving and distributing stations were submitted to the Board; and that the cost is now found to be 14 lakhs. Whether we accept Mr. Wishart's estimate that 4 lakh would have been amply sufficient to provide all the buildings that were necessary, this certainly seems an excessive expenditure, nor is there any apparent reason why these particular items should have been withheld from the cognisance of the Board.

Now that the Government of the N.-W. Provinces is equipped with a Chemical Examiner, writes a local paper, it would be satisfactory to know that that officer's attainments as an analyst were being utilised to check, in some measure, the wholesale adulteration of provisions and other goods that is freely and almost openly carried on in the bazaars. It would seem that samples of water are from time to time sent up to be tested by the Municipalities that possess water-works, but there are hundred and one articles of daily consumption such as flour, atta, sugar, ghee, spices, kerosine, vegetable oils, which require to be carefully watched. It is not going too far to say that not one of these commodities nor of numerous others besides, can be procured free from admixture with foreign matter, the ingredients used in many instances being often more or less deleterious. At present there is little or no protection afforded to the public in this matter—either as regards their bodily health or their purse. The Municipal rules provide that articles of food "unfit for human consumption" should be confiscated or destroyed; but it is not easy to see, for example, how a prosecution for watering milk or for making up sugar with flour, would lie under this rule; still a few cases taken up under its provisions would render it much less of a dead letter than at present. In fact to be logical, legislation is wanted in regard to the whole subject of the adulteration of foods and other commodities. We protest the importer and the consumer from fraud in the matter of foreign goods, by the heavy penalties and strict provisions of the Merchandise Marks Act; why should the unfortunate consumer up-country be left unguarded against the bare-faced impudence of bazaar dealers?

THE BARODA COMMISSION-OF-ENQUIRY.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

BARODA, Dec. 21.

The reading of the written defence of Mr. Bapat, which began on Monday, the 10th instant, has not yet been concluded. At the rising of the court that day Mr. Kanga for the prosecution stated with reference to what had transpired before regarding the examination of Maharaj Ramanlalji, a witness in the Vakra case, that he found it impossible to induce the Maharaj to attend the court to give evidence, and submitted that personal attendance should not be enforced, especially as he found that there was a distinct provision in the local Criminal Code authorising the court to take the evidence of respectable witnesses by means of the court clerk.

Mr. Gokhale stated that he had to urge his objections to the application, and as it was a late hour the discussion was postponed till the next day. The discussion on the question was resumed the next day at the conclusion of the reading of a portion of the written defence.

Mr. Kanga, in support of his application, said, I submit to your Honours that the witness is entitled to the privilege he claimed and therefore, ought not to be compelled to appear in the court. The feeling on the subject seems much stronger then I had thought, and we must look at the matter more from the point of view of the witnesses than ourselves. He is the Maharaj or spiritual head of the Vaishnav community, who look upon him with that veneration of the deity, and to enforce his attendance in court is regarded not only as a needless and unheard of insult to him personally, but also as an outrage of the religious feelings of his numerous followers. I am told moreover that it will be necessary for the witness to undergo certain penalties and ceremonials to wipe off, so to say, the contamination, which is supposed to attach to his attendance in court; but apart from these considerations, I submit, that under the Local Criminal Code the court has the power to take his evidence on commission. I refer your Honours to Nibandh 3 Auk 25, of the local Criminal Code, which in express terms authorises the court to take the evidence of ladies and respectable men at their residences through the court clerk, and I am able to cite precedents in which under that section, as I understand, Sessions Judges themselves have personally gone to the residence of witnesses to take their evidence. Two of these cases are given to me by Mr. Nanabhoy, the Government pleader, he himself being concerned in them, and I have the number and date of one of them. In these cases the late Mr. Burns and Mr. T. Madhavrao, when acting as Sessions Judges, attended the witness's residence, and I am told that in another case the Sessions Judge of Amreli did the same. Even in the case of ordinary Sirdars the Gaekwari Code provides that on cause being shown the judge may dispense with personal attendance of a party or witness in criminal as well as civil cases. Even under the British Criminal Procedure Code commissions are issued for the examination of purda ladies, and in a case reported in I. L. R. 15 Cal, where an application was made for the issue of commission to examine a purda lady, it was held that the application was rightly made under Section 503. I submit, therefore, that if the Commissioner's will not personally go to the residence of the witness, Mr. Manekram may be deputed to take the evidence of the Maharaj. I may say, that if notwithstanding the express authority of law and the precedents I have cited apart from the Maharaj's rank and position as the head of the Vaishnavs, our application is not granted, we will be compelled to dispense with his evidence rather than subject him to what is considered a great indignity.

Mr. Kothare: Is he an important witness Mr. Kanga?

Mr. Kanga: Yes, Sir, certainly. He will corroborate Girdhar in certain important matters, and as to Girdhar's interview with him in Bombay and the conversation about the arrangement for the payment of Rs. 4,000.

Mr. Gokhale: I am not aware of any case in which the section quoted has been acted upon, though I am aware of cases in which respectable witnesses like the Fudnis Saheb and *wrishi* court judges appeared in court to give evidence, but there was no instance of a witness being examined on a commission in criminal cases. Moreover the witness is a British subject, and he cannot claim any better treatment than he would have received in a British court. As to the section relied on, I must point out that there is a circular based on it and provided for the evidence of ladies being taken at their residence, but not mentioning respectable men, who must therefore, be considered excluded from cases from the provision. Again our code provides for paying scales of certain Bhatts to respectable men—six annas (Babashai) per day. Besides the Commission cannot be considered an ordinary court in which any witnesses can object to appear, and the court was in a decent hall where any witness of respectability can be accommodated according to his wishes. There was no necessity of moving out of the groove to which they were accustomed to seek relief from the Bholeshwar law. There is no special provision made for any respectable witness except for the Sardars, of (whom there were only thirteen) whose examination can be taken by a commission. If the Maharaj could travel by a railway what objection can he have to appear in court?

Mr. Kothare: Do you know Mr. Kanga, whether there are not any special circumstances, as the sickness of the witnesses, in the cases you have referred to which led to the judges taking their evidences out of court.

Mr. Kanga: I have no personal knowledge of any of these cases, but I have the number and date of one of them, and your honour may send for the record of the case. I only speak from the information given to me.

Mr. Bhaisbanker: I know the instance in which Maharaj Jadulalji was required to observe six days' fast for having attended the court as complainant, and in another case Jivanlalji Maharaj allowed a decree for Rs. 40,000 to go against him by default rather than attend court.

Mr. Kothare: Supposing we decide to honour the witness, do you think we can meet in a place like Nazar Bagh?

The President: Or the Raj Mahal. You try to meet us half-way.

Mr. Kanga: We shall be very glad to meet your honors more than half-way if possible, but I understand it is not customary to meet in any other place than the witness's residence. If your Honors are not inclined to go there Mr. Manchharam may be sent to take down the deposition and if the principle is once conceded, I take it there would be no difficulty as to the place we desire the witness to be examined at.

Mr. Kothare: We should like the evidence to be taken in our own presence.

The court ultimately decided that, as hitherto facilities had been given to both the parties and as the witness was said to be an important one the application might be granted.

The evidence of Maharaj Ramanlalji was taken on the 12th instant at his residence, in the presence of the Commissioners, and the legal representatives of the parties, and it lasted from 12 to 3 p.m. At the conclusion of the examination, Mr. Branson mentioned to the court that the prosecution had some documentary evidence to produce with respect to certain matters referred to in the defence the previous day, and that it was after the case for the prosecution had been closed that this evidence came to their knowledge, and they knew of the existence of the documents, the genuineness of which could not possibly be disputed. He took this earliest opportunity to mention the matter to avoid its being said that the evidence was an after-thought, and until the prosecution heard, yesterday, what the defence had to say with regard to, the matter to which the documentary evidence related he could not say whether or not it was necessary to make use of it. Having now heard what was mentioned in the defence, he thought right to mention the matter at once, he did not think it necessary to state anything more about it at per sent.

RAID ON THE ALBERT CLUB.

On Friday afternoon (Nov. 23) shortly before two o'clock the police entered the Albert Club, Bolt-court, Fleet-street, London, and made 106 arrests. The club is one of the principal sporting and betting resorts in the metropolis, and the news, which became widely known during the afternoon, produced a feeling of amazement, not only amongst betting men generally, but also in every sporting circle, the Albert being regarded as one of the best-conducted, as well as one of the oldest-established, betting clubs in London. It is not, strictly speaking, a proprietary concern, as it is necessary for all members to be shareholders and to be duly proposed, seconded, and elected by other members. For many years it has been one of the principal resorts of sporting men in the metropolis. According to the rules, all betting is conducted on the principle of a weekly settlement on Mondays. Whether this regulation has been departed from remains to be shown at the police-court proceedings. The raid was effected in the most skilful manner. At the moment the officers obtained an entry there was not a single additional constable to be seen in the vicinity, but within a few seconds every approach was guarded by several officers, a body of whom had been concentrated in the neighbourhood some time previously. Over 100 members were in the club at the time, but apart from the confusion occasioned by the advent of the police officers nothing in the nature of a scene occurred. The plain clothes officers and detectives engaged in the case mustered up to the entrance to the club in Bolt-court, and in the absence of any suspicion had no difficulty in gaining admission, only a very slight opposition being offered by the hall porter. Business was in full swing at the time, the Manchester November meeting forming the principal subject of speculation. All the cash, betting books, and memoranda were at once seized, and the whole of those present at once placed under arrest.

Without any loss of time the whole of the prisoners were escorted by two and threes to Bridewell Police-station. The majority elected to cover the distance in hansoms, rows of which at once formed on both sides of Fleet-street for a distance of 200 or 300 yards. They were charged with frequenting the place for the purpose of betting, and the secretary (Mr. Scrimshaw) with being concerned in keeping the club as a gaming-house. The news of the raid spread in a remarkably short space of time, and for fully an hour and a half afterwards Fleet-street was the scene of considerable commotion, a large force of City police being required to preserve order. As the prisoners left in custody of the officers they were cheered by the crowd, to whom the majority appeared to be well known. At Bridewell another large crowd had gathered, and there was considerable difficulty in getting the captives drove up, accompanied by the police officers in whose charge they were.

The raid was affected by Detective-Superintendent M'Williams, assisted by Detective-Inspectors Sagar, Davidson, Outram, Downes, and nearly the whole of the Old Jewry staff. The force of police employed consisted of about 80 plain clothes men and some 150 constables in uniform. Just before two o'clock a body of uniform police proceeding up Fleet-street in two affords the first intimation that something unusual was about to happen. No one, however, anticipated their destination was the Albert Club. On reaching Bolt-court the officers were told off in different directions. Immediately Superintendent M'Williams threw a strong cordon of police across the Bolt-court entrance, strict injunctions being given to the men to prevent any persons making an exit from the court. Meanwhile another detachment was marched up Wine Office-court, and made its way to Gough-square, where another cordon was drawn, the object of this movement being to prevent an exit from Bolt-court through the narrow passage leading into Gough-square. These were the only two possible avenues of escape. Before the arrival of the uniformed police a large number of plain clothes men and detectives had, for two hours, been watching the approaches to the premises, but the precautions taken to ensure the success of the raid and to avoid suspicion were so skilfully carried out that there was not there was not the least inkling amongst the members of the club of the trap in course of preparation. There were at one o'clock, according to the statement of a shareholder who was himself present at the time, at least 200 in the building; but the police did not at that time carry their purpose into effect, probably because it was only at a late hour in the morning that the Lord Mayor, sitting at the Mansion House, privately granted the warrant authorising the raid, the application for which was formally made on behalf of the Commissioner of Police for the City, through Mr. Crawford, the City Solicitor.

When Superintendent M'William entered the premises, in company with several inspectors of the City Police, the warrant was read by Inspector Sagar, amid an absolute lack of demonstration of any kind and the most profound silence obviously the wish of the police took the members completely by surprise. Many who were at the time partaking of lunch jumped from their seats in astonishment; and there was a clatter of glass as others, who were crowding around the refreshment bar at the entrance to the club, and at another bar in the large room, realised the position, and hurriedly dashed their drinks untasted on the boards on the bars. It may be explained that the premises are usually devoted to the purposes of the club are restricted to the ground floor, the upper storeys being in the occupation of domestics connected with the establishment, and used generally as offices, stores, and bedrooms. The ground-floor premises consist of the bar already referred to, the entrance, a wide corridor, on the walls of which the latest betting odds were posted as they came through the machines, and a large saloon at the rear. In this saloon there are two billiard-tables. There is also a small refreshment bar fitted with tables, at which members have luncheons served. It is in this particular section of the building that all betting transactions are supposed to take place.

After the removal of the members, the police made a thorough search of the whole premises, and removed the books, memoranda, documents, and betting paraphernalia belonging to the club. These were placed in a cab and at once conveyed to the Bridewell, whence they were transferred to the Mansion House, whither the prisoners were also taken.

Seventy-six defendants were brought to the Justice Room of the Mansion House in custody at half-past three o'clock, and the remainder followed in batches. The court was crowded with the men, and room only could be found for the witnesses and the reporters. Many of the defendants were in a good social position, and large sums of money were found in their possession. One of them complained to the clerk before the proceedings commenced that the police had taken the key of his residence, but Mr. Douglas could not of course promise that it would be immediately returned to him. The principal concerned was Mr. T. G. Scrimshaw, the secretary of the club, and among those also who were charged with using, "haunting," or "resorting" to the club as a common gaming-house were a Chas. White, no occupation; J. W. Empre, cigar merchant; E. Chamberlain, licensed victualler; Robert Moore, agent; Alexander Clark, clerk; Henry Cooper, no occupation, Henry Martin, reporter; Edward Tallmarsh, no occupation; John Bloomfield, no occupation; Charles Shephard, clerk; F. J. Fathers, compositor; G. F. Smith, agent; Henry Selby, agent; Robert Masters, agent; J. T. Heel, messenger; James Netten, cigar merchant; Charles Ward, clerk; A. S. Thomas, agent; W. G. Innes, no occupation; James Cohen, W. Hardyman, John Saunders, Henry Lyons, Joseph Smith, Joseph Wood, F. J. Dyer, D. Cole, E. Chandler, Thomas Wilkinson, Hyam Myers, J. A. Sillitoe, G. White, W.H. Ward, H. J. W. Giddins, A. Lawrence, J. T. Benson, Isaac Cohen, J. R. Cotterill, A. Reader, A. E. Heath, J. Pomeroy, R. Hine, Angel Isaacs, G. Robinson, Spirio Regnier, John Keene, B. d' A. Coste, W. J. Nabourne, A. Yardley, ... down, H. Jones, James Myers, H. Sander... Mear, ... Martin Coldiard, E. Good ..., W. Spencer, F. N. A. ... harbour, W. Langley, J. E. Liddon, ... John Reeves, H. Levy, E. A. Y. Moore, ... alcore, H. Beard, R. Dennis, W. C. Ginder, Mark Myers, A. Hill, C. Will, G. Walsh, R. Shephard, L. Nathan, J. Ellison, W. Pritland, F. Reed, D. Bannard, A. Hill, E. Fenton, R. Jeale, A. Hale, S. Blomfield, G. Gibbone, G. Tilley, J. Wilkinson, J. W. Burge, F. Blackman, E. Capp, Joshua Abbott, R. Bartlett, A. Hunt, G. Dare, H. W. Payne, Barnett M. Moss, J. Wykes, A. Ridley, Isaac Grace, Peter Price, F. W. Dell, T. Oliver, W. H. Payne E. J. Scott, A Basilca, and Warren Johnson.

The Lord Mayor took his seat at five minutes past five o'clock, when the names of the defendants were called over and responded to.

Mr. Crawford, the City solicitor, prosecuted; and Mr. Stanley, solicitor, appeared for Mr. Scrimshaw and the members of the club generally.

Mr. Crawford said that with regard to Mr. Dupre, he had received a medical certificate as to the state of his health, and under the circumstances his name would be removed from the list.

The Lord Mayor: Then he will be discharged.

Mr. Crawford, addressing the Lord Mayor, said that he appeared on behalf of the City Commissioner of Police to prosecute the defendants, in consequence of information having reached him as to the character of the club. The Commissioner, after having had careful inquiries made came to the conclusion that the premises known at the Albert Club had been used as a betting house and under these circumstances he had instructed Mr. M'William, the Chief Superintendent, to apply to this court for a warrant to enter and to bring before him (the Lord Mayor) all persons who might be found therein, in accordance with the provisions of the Gaming and Betting Act. He (the City Solicitor) had been but recently instructed, and being unaware of the names until they had been called over in court, he found it necessary to ask his lordship to grant a remand, in the order that he and the police might look over the papers and documents and formulate the charge to be preferred. The intention of the Commissioner was to gauge the all-important point as to whether the club had been so carried on and the business transacted of such a nature as to be an infringement of the Betting Act. Doubtless legal questions would be raised hereafter on behalf of those who had managed the club, and it was desired that there should be the fullest inquiry, in order that a decision might be arrived at once and for all as to whether the club was legitimately within the law. So far as the Commissioner was concerned, he was determined that there should be no infringement of the Act within his jurisdiction, and he (Mr. Crawford) was sure that he was only expressing the intentions of his lordship and his brother aldermen when he said that they were firmly decided, like the Commissioner, to put down betting in the City. Of course, if the defendants were able to satisfy his lordship they had kept within the bounds of the law they would be entitled to an honourable acquittal. On the other hand, if the information which had reached the Commissioner was found to be true, and there had been an infringement of the Act, then they must be dealt with accordingly. Under the circumstance therefore it was important that there should be a remand. He would suggest a long one, because of the number of defendants, no fewer than 109, and the mass of papers and documents which would have to be gone through. Against many of them he might not proceed at all. Should any of them be perfectly innocent of betting and gaming, all he could say for them was that they had had the bad fortune to frequent what was believed to be a common gaming-house, and in that respect they had brought their trouble upon themselves. A remand would not only be in the interest of the prosecution, but in that of the defendants themselves.

The Lord Mayor said he would tell Mr. Solicitor what he had decided to do. It was most inconvenient to have such a large number of visitors in the justice Room of the Mansion House. (A laugh.) At the same time, their convenience was the convenience of all who had to take part in the proceedings. He would suggest that the defendants should be divided into two batches, the case against the first to be heard on Wednesday, Dec. 5, and against the second on Friday, the 7th, at two o'clock, and that would give plenty of time for investigation to be made. He was prepared, as far as Mr Scrimshaw, the secretary, was concerned, to allow him to enter into his own recognisance of £100 to reappear on the 5th prox.

The City Solicitor reminded his lordship that it might so happen that some of the principal offenders were included in the second batch; therefore, he would seek the necessity of their being charged together. It would be more convenient, perhaps, if they were to pick out fifty for the first batch.

The Lord Mayor said that Mr. Scrimshaw would be allowed out on his entering into the recognisance named, and as to the other defendants he should order that they enter into their own recognisances of £10 each before they left the court. On the 5th the evidence against the whole would be finished, and then another day could be fixed for discussing the legal points that might be raised.

Mr. Stanley said there would be no objection on the part of the defendants to an adjournment or against them being called upon to enter into their personal recognisances, but what they objected to was the City Solicitor going into the question of the club as a bonâfide club, and the defendants were members of it and were present in that capacity when arrested by the police. It had been decided that betting in a bona-fide club did not constitute it a gaming house within the meaning of the Act. He asked that all the personal property which had been found upon the defendants might be given up by the police, and that the keys of the club in their possession, and the management were prevented from getting refreshments, dinners, or suppers for the members. He would also ask that he or others might be allowed to see the papers and documents as well as the City Solicitor, in order that they might be thoroughly examined.

The Lord Mayor: That would be only right—anything in the shape of papers the police would retain, but so far as personal property was concerned it was only fair and proper that it should be given up to them (Cheers.)

The City Solicitor understood personal property to mean watches, jewellery, and money. He could not accede to the papers being given up until they had been examined.

Mr. Stanley said that he did not ask that any of the books might be returned.

The Lord Mayor: Of course those will be included with the papers. The defendants would, naturally, want their money and personal property, and he hoped the police would interpret his remarks very liberally.

The City Solicitor said that before the defendants left the court he wished it to be understood that the prosecution would be conducted with perfect fairness, all that was required being that fullest investigation should be made into the circumstances of the case.

The defendants then entered into their recognisances and proceeded to the Bridewell Police-station, where their "personals" were handed over to them on their giving the necessary receipt.

After the scene at the Mansion House, the large majority of the accused who had been admitted to bail returned to the Bridewell to claim their personal property, of which the police had taken possession, subsequent to arrest. This, of necessity, caused a very considerable amount of confusion, inasmuch as each prisoner had to wait in a queue of and identify the particular constable to whose care his belongings had been entrusted. The police performed their difficult and unusual task admirably, though it was not until the evening was well-advanced that they succeeded in getting rid of the noisy crowd of defendants and their friends, who were packed together in the large apartment at the rear of the charge room.

LIST OF RESIDENTS.

GREAT WESTERN HOTEL, BOMBAY.

Mr H Herrey, Rutnagiri
Colonel Mrs & Miss Fishe, Saugor
Justice E G Sale, Calcutta
Bishop E Galloway, U S A
Rev W Wadsworth, U S A
Mr W Temple, Ba-li
Lieut R C Cockerill, Bellary
Mr T Wilcox, Muttra
Mr W Chronnell London
Mr H Norean do
Mr H W Burn do
Banner do
Mrs Peaton do
Mr and Mrs Hamilton, Mangalore
Mrs L E Barrow, London
Mr W Mahon Daly do
Mr S Goode do
Miss Bigg-Withers do
Mr S Tokimura, Japan
Miss Sugar, Australia
Rev and Mrs J Adcock do
Miss Hall do
Mr C H Gadsby, Colombo
Mr C Dirlain do
Mr G Mudge do
Mr E S Longdon, Karachi
Surg-Genl Turnbull Rutnagiri
Mr G M Munshi, Junagad
Mr C Whitting, Rutnagiri
Mr J F Mathews, Poona
Lieut H E Foster, Deesa
Mr E Archibald, Sirula
Captain and Mrs Barney, England
Major and Mrs Block do
Mrs Bagnall do
Surg Capt and Mrs Buchanan England
Lieut-Col G M Stevens, Deesa
Capt Anderson, Poona
Mrs Anderson, London
Mr and Mrs W Hearle do
Profs and Mrs Goldschmidt Madras
Mr D B Casebourne do
Miss Lambert, Poona
Mrs J C Branson, Madras
Capt and Mrs R Dickie, Poona
Major Barclay, C P
Mrs H D Harvest, C P
Mr E Candall, ICS Ahmedabad
Major H W Griffiths N W P
Capt W Greer, N W P
Rev and Mrs E Douglas Madras
Mr W Clay do
Mr J Mitchell, Gokak
Residents left during the week mark (*) thus.

Major W Purdon, Poona
Col Lieut Hy F Axe, Deesa
Mr S Brown, Lahore
Mrs S J Brown, Lahore
Capt Ewart, Poona
Mr and Mrs A Clemence Cabul
Mrs W Walters, Cabul
Mr and Mrs R Younghusband, Raipur
Mr F W Ellis, Karachi
Mr E Ash, Karachi
Mr G Jacob, Deesa
Dr G Sinclair, Kolhapore
Miss Sinclair, Kolhapore
Mr C H Candy, Kolhapore
Mr C J Sindall, Poona
Miss T Weber, Europe
Mrs E R Penrose, do
Miss G Bell, do
Rev and Mrs Kaundinge, Europe
Mr F Goode, Bombay
Mr E H Fourdrec, do
Mr H W Fourracres, do
Mr C Nerslinger, do
Surg Major and Mrs Lewis, Bombay
Mr J Owens, do
Mr E Livingstone, do
Mr and Mrs Brasier-Creagh, do
Mr S Hamilton, Bombay
Lieut J R Harward, do
Mr M A Baig, CS, do
Surg Major J Macconachie, Bombay
Mr T Yeshima, do
Mr T Watson, do
Mr J Kersten, do
Mr S Dhanjibjee, do
Mr Ardjibjee, do
Mr J H Robinson, do
Mr C R Lees, do
Mr R Spalding, do
Mr F C Adams, do
Mr David Mark, do
Rev A R Watson, do
Mr J F Robertson, do
Mr and Mrs H Palliser, do
Miss Palliser, do
Mr A G Christiansen, do
Mr S Kiddle, do
Lieut J M Crelock, Umballa
Col and Mrs Stace, Kutch
Miss Stace, do
Mr C Shorrock, Ahmedabad
Mr J Smith, do
Mr J Picking, do
Mrs C Adams, Bombay
Miss Adams, do

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

DECEMBER 21.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey interrupted. Via Suez, perfect.
CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, interrupted. Via Suez, perfect.
AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
AFRICA.—Via Aden, interrupted. Via Cape Town, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.
Cable Durban Lourenco Marques, interrupted. This cuts off communication with South Africa via Bombay and Aden.
Cable Aden Zanzibar section interrupted.
Turkish route interrupted between Fao and Bushire.
Madagascar and Reunion mail closes here on Saturday the 22nd instant. Mauritius mail closes here on Saturday the 22nd instant.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay, from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m., of the 21st December, 1894.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	...	9	21 p.m.	...	46
Teheran	21	9	25 p.m.	...	9
Suez	21	9	25 p.m.	...	9

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., of the 21st December, 1894.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta	...	77	...	1
" Karachi	...	19	...	1
" Madras	...	24	...	1

Colonel Maurice writes on the subject of the war between China and Japan with the prestige of a prophet whose forecasts have been confirmed by time, has contributed to the "United Service Magazine" for December an article in which he speculates upon the probable course of that winter campaign on which the Japanese commanders are said to have decided. As long as there is no thaw, he does not think that difficulties of land-transport will be serious. On the other hand, it will be hardly possible, without great risk, for troops to bivouack in the snow without large supplies of warm clothing for night work. As, however, the climate appears to be much less severe than that of Canada, though the snow must be, as a rule, permanently frozen during the winter, he thinks it may be possible that, as the Japanese have long realised the probability of a winter campaign, and are certain, therefore, to have made provision for it, they will be able to procure sufficient transport in the country to convey warm clothing. This, however, will necessarily have to be transferred to the north of the Corean Gulf before the ice binds the coast.

A Naples correspondent writes: Signora Stolzmann, who has undertaken the management of the San Carlo for the coming season, announces the following repertory:—"Otello," Verdi; "Manon," by Puccini; "Giulietta le Romeo," by Gounod; besides "Mefistofele" and "Cristofaro Columbo." The operas new to Naples will be "Celeste," by Samonica and Brondi; "Fornarina," by Collina; "Griselda," by Cottran; and "Corrado," by Marracino. No new ballet is announced. The artists engaged are Mesdames Nevada, Cerno-Wulman, Mendioroz, Steinbach, and Margautieri; MM. Bedurohi, Tomei, Gravi, Guisto, Kaschmann, Sparapani, Gregoretti, and Tamburlin.

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FEMININE FACTS AND FANCIES.

FASHIONS.

This winter, more than any previous year, fashion has widened her domain of selection. She lays down no arbitrary rules: with the exceptions of the tight sleeves and furbelowed skirts, she permits her subjects to wear what they will: every possible design of costume may be adopted with impunity, from 'Charles' to 'Empire,' plain Princess to coat and skirt, from zouave and Spanish hat to tiny toque and Russian blouse. Even the manly attire is creeping in an insidious way into the hearts of the well-dressed, though in a somewhat hidden form. Few sensible women do without the cloth or satin knickerbocker under their gowns. These garments are the surest preventative of cold and facilitate walking through the consequent exclusion of heavy, clinging under-petticoats. They are pretty withal, when well cut, which is no mean recommendation to their wearers, and a great improvement upon the divided skirt—an ugly apparel and given to collecting dust about the feet.

BICYCLING.

"Apropos," bicycling has become the favourite amusement of our fair cousins across the Channel. Indeed on a bright morning in the Bois it is as common to see young ladies mounting this formidable machine and taking their exercise—like Greek nymphs on winged wheels—as the sight of our own equestrian young women in the Row; nor is the costume, of which there are a great many charming varieties, thought any more unusual than we consider a bathing dress at a fashionable watering-place or a shooting gown in the Highlands. The most graceful arrangement is the knickerbocker and a plaited skirt, like a kilt, to the knee, a zouave coat and loose shirt with turndown collar and riband bow, the whole in no way cumbersome, but quite the contrary, allowing freedom of movement combined with comfort, a qualification in dress hitherto peculiarly claimed as man's especial privilege. Some few English women have adopted the healthy amusement, and doubtless in a very short time lady bicyclists will be as commonly seen here as in France. The Duchess of Manchester and her daughter appeared at Ranelagh, flying up the course on speeding wheels. We think that such a precedent will ensure an undoubted following.

GOWNS.

For rich gowns, velvet as a material and fur as a trimming have the ascendency. Indeed, sable tails seem to adorn every article upon which their furred presence can be permitted, and they are a very dainty garniture to most things. A vieux rose satin dinner dress, made perfectly simple, bordered round the neck and cape sleeves with narrow brown fur, the bodice crossing and finished with a paste buckle, was one of the most lovely combinations I have seen. Lace, too, is being worn very much on outdoor apparel. The full velvet manties of bright crimsons, purples, or greens, being edged with rows of white lace; and frills, collars, and revers of the same deck almost every bodice. This continues to be elaborately trimmed, though closer to the figure than last year, the sleeves being worn larger than ever. Five yards of material was used recently by a fashionable dressmaker for one sleeve of a ball gown. The mixture of fur, lace, velvet, and satin, made in various sizes in silver, form admirable cigar and cigarette holders, ash-trays, tobacco-pipes, cigar and cigarette cases, and ink-bottles. A quite new pencil, and a "Marguerite" Prayer Book in a silver case to hang by a ring from your finger, are among other things too numerous to mention and too intricate to describe.

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have permeated our ornamental nick nacks as well as our clothes. We have seen nothing prettier this year than the enamelled cases which are everywhere in requisition, whether it be as a cigar-box with an emerald-green surface set in silver gilt or silver, or as a small heart shaped stamp-box lined with pale blue glorious big ruby. I admired both at Thornbill's in New Bond Street, and also some very pretty bow-watches. One was in ruby enamel, set chastely with pearls; and one had diamonds sparkling in with the emerald-green watch and true-lover's knot. Coloured glasses, too, are all the rage. Quaint small Coloured glasses, too, are all the rage. Quaint small bottles shaped like ducks are in palest shades of green and pink and amber; and triple bottles, bound together as the old-bottles used to be, and made in coloured threaded glass are also used for made in coloured threaded glass are also used for liq

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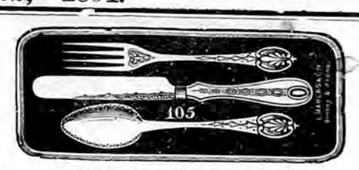

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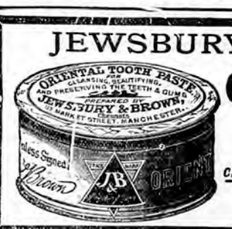

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